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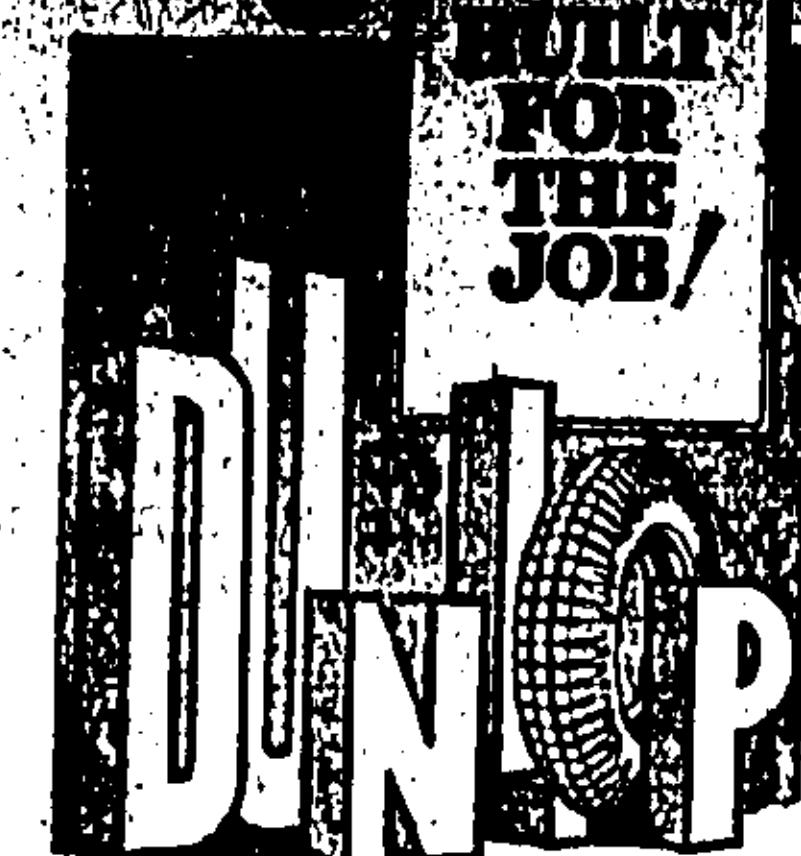
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BRITISH CABINET'S FIRST REAL TEST.

VITAL DISCUSSION NEXT WEEK.

ALL-DAY Sittings ON FISCAL ISSUE ARRANGED.

MAKERS OF HISTORY.

MR. RAMSAY MACDONALD'S Cabinet will next week enter upon deliberations which must be regarded as among the most momentous in British peace-time history.

The Cabinet will be presented with its first serious test of harmony, the subject of discussion being the fiscal policy of the country.

The importance attached to the meetings, and the anticipation of protracted discussions, are revealed by the arrangements made for morning and afternoon sessions throughout the week.

When Parliament resumes in February, an early statement on the result of the deliberations will be made in the House of Commons.

IMPERIAL ECONOMIC UNITY.

London, Dec. 11. Parliament to-day adjourned for the Christmas Recess. The motion for the adjournment of the House of Commons provides for reassembly on February 2, unless the Speaker, in consultation with the Government, considers an earlier meeting required in the public interest.

Next week a series of cabinet meetings, the first of which was held in the Prime Minister's room at the House of Commons this afternoon, will be devoted to a study of the proposals which the Government will bring before Parliament next year.

It is likely that there will be morning and afternoon sessions each day. It is understood the fiscal policy of the Government will be under discussion.

Replying to the debate on the adjournment in the Commons, the Dominions Minister, Mr. J. H. Thomas made a statement regarding the Imperial Economic Conference to be held at Ottawa and to which, he said, the Government attached the greatest importance.

Imperial Unity.

Failure must not be contemplated. It would be disastrous. Therefore detailed and careful preparation must be made in advance. The interests of no two Dominions were the same. The main contribution which the United Kingdom could make was to help Dominions regarding food-stuffs, while the most important—indeed the only—factor so far as Britain was concerned was what the Dominions could do with regard to manufactured articles from Britain.

Difficult as the problems were, he believed that with a single-minded desire to advance Imperial unity, success would result.

Two Contributions.

A Cabinet sub-committee, with the aid of experts, was engaged on hammering out the details.

Referring to statements made on behalf of the Government, that no comments would be made which would hamper a free discussion at Ottawa, and the fact that the Dominions were exempted from the recent anti-dumping legislation, Mr. Thomas said those were great contributions, evidencing the anxiety of Government to ensure the success of the conference.

Whent Quota.

With regard to the whent quota, he announced that the Government had decided, subject to satisfactory arrangements being made, and subject to a genuine quid pro quo, to offer to the Dominions at

Ottawa a guaranteed quota of wheat.

No-one who was at the last Imperial Conference would minimise the value of that of the Dominions. The price and other details would be hammered out with them and with the millers at home.

Giving Up Ideals.

The sacrifices, however, could not all be on one side. They might be called upon to give up ideals and fiscal views long held. Let all parties enter the conference, not in spirit of seeing what they could get out of it, but what they could give. *British Wireless.*

CUNARD LINER SENSATION.

WORKERS PAID OFF LAST NIGHT.

STATEMENT BY CHAIRMAN.

London, Dec. 11. The decision to suspend work on the seventy-three thousand ton Cunarder will directly affect nearly three thousand workers in the Clyde Shipyard and many more indirectly in the industries providing the equipment.

In reply to speeches by Clydeside members of the Commons on the discussion on the adjournment, Mr. Renman said that the idea of direct Government assistance was out of the question but if the Cunard Company had any proposals to make the Government would give them the most serious consideration.

The Government's hope was that circumstances would permit the building of the ship to be resumed before long.

The Chairman of the Cunard Company in a statement to-day indicated the desire of the Company to complete the ship, which they hoped would regain the Blue Riband of the Atlantic, at the earliest possible moment.

In the meantime, the ship will remain on the stocks and is unlikely to suffer damage thereby.

A notice was posted in the yards to-day stating that all workers would be paid off to-night. *British Wireless.*

His Honour the Chief Justice has ordered that the next Criminal Sessions shall be held on Monday, 21 December, at 10 o'clock.

UNIFIED CHINA NOW FORESHADOWED.

SUDDEN DEVELOPMENT.

CHIANG KAI-SHEK RESIGNING.

(Our Own Correspondent).

Shanghai, Dec. 12. Events are rapidly shaping the direction of the formation of a United National Government of China.

The early retirement of General Chiang Kai-shek is foreshadowed. It is believed that he will resign both his political and military posts.

These possible developments are said to be disclosed in a highly important telegram sent from Nanking to the Canton leaders.

The temporary successor to Chiang Kai-shek in the positions of Chairman of the National Government and President of the Executive Yuan, have been virtually decided upon.

General Lin Sen, a native of Foochow, one of the men who signed the anti-Chiang declaration in Canton some months ago, will become chairman of the Government.

General Chan Ming-shu, formerly Chairman of the Kwangtung

Yuan.

The remarkable swimming ability of Army ponies was demonstrated, by accident, in the Harbour this morning, when a saddled pony jumped or fell into the water from a lighter, lying alongside the Railway pier at Kowloon.

The pony seems to have been thoroughly scared. Instead of heading for land, it swam steadily out into midstream and a quarter of an hour after its first immersion was still going strong in the vicinity of the a.m. Starbuck.

An army launch, which had towed the lighter across to Kowloon, cast off quickly from the pier and went to the rescue of the animal, while a police launch also lent assistance. Efforts were being made to rope the scared pony, and it is believed that success was achieved after patience had been almost exhausted.



Mr. Wakatsuki, leader of the Minseito Party, and Prime Minister of Japan, who has resigned over the Manchurian crisis.

THE RECOVERY OF STERLING.

SHARP RALLY IN BRITISH FUNDS.

EXCHANGE MART.

London, Dec. 11. Sterling improved on foreign exchanges to-day, and in the stock markets there was a sharp rally in British funds.

This welcome movement is generally attributed to yesterday's optimistic statement by the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, on the Budget prospects. *British Wireless.*

Contrary to general experience, and betokening other influences at work, although the cross-rate is up, there is also an appreciation in silver prices, both in London and New York.

In London, silver rose a farthing, both for spot and forward delivery. China was a small buyer and there were small offerings. After the official fixing, the market ruled dull, America being inclined to sell.

The New York advance was 5/8d., on a firm market.

The cross-rate showed a further appreciation, rising to 3.31½.

No Change in Dollar.

The Hongkong dollar remains unchanged, in spite of the rise in silver, prevailing rates being 1s. 6½d. and 1s. 5½d. The market is uncertain, with practically nothing doing.

LIQUOR BOUGHT IN STREET.

CONSUL'S CHAUFFEUR FINED.

The chauffeur employed by the Japanese Consul was fined \$32 by Mr. Williams at the Central Police Court this morning for being in possession of eight bottles of dutiable Chinese liquor.

The defendant stated that he had purchased the alcohol from a Chinese in Ice House Street, and could not now find the man.

His Worship remarked that the defendant had to prove that duty had been paid on the liquor. If he bought the liquor from an unknown man, he ran the risk of being arrested.

The defendant, it was stated, was arrested in Conduit Road in the act of taking the bottles out of the car.

PATIENT FOUND HANGING.

BELIEVED TO HAVE TAKEN LIFE.

Stated to have been a patient of the Kwong Wah Hospital, from which he disappeared on Thursday, an unknown Chinese was found hanging in an unoccupied house in the Shamshui Po district yesterday.

He was dressed in hospital clothing and had apparently committed suicide.

POLISH FOREIGN MINISTER.

PAYS VISIT TO KING GEORGE.

London, Dec. 11. The Polish Foreign Minister, Maleski, who has been in London since Wednesday night, yesterday saw the Prime Minister and the Foreign Secretary and was received in audience by the King at Buckingham Palace to-day. *British Wireless.*

Bulls and Inners

From the Office Butts.

Wednesday's anniversary dinner. It was rather a pity the "Queen" dance provided some excellent de-dé of Tonina" did not have any other demonstrations of the rotary move—"court" cards with her, notably during the waltzes.

According to a contemporary, a never take lodgers; only paying on was "outstanding." Tut, guests."

The proposed Betting Tax suggests that Hongkong's revenue will in future be more than ever a proper to describe art in Hong Kong, the following adjectives should be freely used—Bold, admirable, good, delicate, clever, pleasing, masterful, praiseworthy, amusing, commendable. It is bad form, however, to use any more than once.

It has been discovered that This week's Wellerism: "This snails can recognise one another fed up" as Helen Willis Moody said five feet away. A probable at the finish of her fourth invitation explanation is that snails never turn to tiffin to borrow money.

Punters will appreciate the "I see it all now," as the cinema-Jockey Club's solicitude in guaranteeing said when the lady in front teeing them no loss of money, removed her be-feathered Empress vied, of course, they back the right pony.

Possibly one reason why another World War would be fatal is because humanity could never survive another Pence.

The "Office Butts" takes the prize this week for being the only ones to mention that Mrs. Moody wore an eye-shade!

The National Government This week's infamous saying: "should be able to weather any "I don't think tennis is so very storm," according to a political commentator. Yes, provided it doesn't lose its Mac!

"Heavy Frost on the Peak," says newspaper heading. We have a distinct recollection of a still heavy for one some years ago in Ice House Street.

For that matter, the Icy Stare is still occasionally observed on the upper regions.

The South African Rugby team in England is delighted with its record so far. Quite Spring-buckled, in fact.

"Some people take distorted views of things," says a critic. To have made the arrangements perfect, the L.T.A. officials should have invited local restauranteurs to send them along for publication in the Pictorial Supplement.

An American film actress is to be married in green pyjamas on her birthday. It appears that she has never been married in green pyjamas on her birthday before.

"Richbank's Difficulties," says a heading. Who'd have thought it?

Police Reserve Orders:—"Members will fall in... outside Queen's Pier." But blue uniforms, not bathing-suits, were stipulated.

It was lucky for the Peak rickshaw coolie who inadvertently struck a certain Police Sergeant that he did not get a basting!

It is evident that the Christmas spirit is abroad already. The only thing is that it costs more nowadays.

A Reuter abbreviation this week referred to the "pubmeeting" of the League Council. Presumably where one or other of the disputants could get a "bitter" (pill).

Judging from the reports of Mrs. Helen Willis Moody's appearances a certain species of small to get on local courts, she was pretty, must be what is known as travelling—also play tennis.

As far as we understand the contemporary creates Herr situation, the Hongkong dollar will Dr. Drosd. Although somewhat doctor-ed, it was not difficult to self-stationary.

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**MORE TENSION AT
NANKING.****STUDENTS STILL
AGITATING.**

Shanghai, Dec. 11.—Resenting the Police measures in arresting their leaders, 5,000 students including numerous undergraduates of the universities, besieged the Municipal Government Building in the native City and surrounded the place for twenty hours from Wednesday evening to Thursday morning. The students subsequently selected five delegates who interviewed the Mayor of Shanghai, Mr. Chang Chun, and demanded that the authorities immediately release the arrested student.

The excitement of the students was brought to high pitch and they attempted to wreck the Municipal Building. Their act was prevented in the nick of time by the appearance of the Mayor, Mr. Chang Chun, who addressed the students in tears promising to dismiss the Police Commissioner, Chen Hsi-teng, and to resign himself. The student mob subsequently dispersed.

On the same evening the student agitators indulged in other riotous acts including the wrecking of a railway track on the Shanghai-Nanking Railway. The incident was observed and the line was repaired before dawn in time to avoid an accident.

A group of students later assembled on the railway track and defied all police efforts to move them. Consequently the evening express from Nanking was considerably delayed.

More Student Petitioners. Over 300 students from Hsichow schools assembled at the Hsichow Station on the Tientsin-Pukow Railway yesterday to await the arrival of students from Peking and Tientsin to join them to proceed to Nanking to present petitions to the Government. A similar movement is taking place at Pengfow, another city on the same railway.

A Hangchow Incident. Hundreds of students paraded in the streets yesterday at Hangchow, the demonstration culminating in an attack on the Provincial Government Building following an abortive attempt to seek an audience with the Kiangsu Government officials. The angry students later directed their attacks on the Educational Department and severely assaulted a Secretary. The students also conflicted with the Police on their way back to the schools, resulting in some minor injuries among the students.

A Nanking message states that 2,000 students from the Peking and Tientsin universities arrived at Pukow yesterday and they have planned to present a petition to the Government to-day. These thousands of demonstrators will be reinforced by a still bigger force from Shanghai in a day or two, when a great street demonstration will take place on Monday next at Nanking. The accommodation of all schools and university premises at Nanking is being taxed to capacity as quarters have to be found for the Peking and Tientsin visitors.

Railways Blocked.

Nanking, Dec. 7.—The patriotic ardour of the students at Nanking, Peking, Shanghai and other points has interrupted traffic on two of China's main railway systems—the Shanghai-Nanking and the Tientsin-Pukow railways.

It has also led the Foreign Minister of the National Government carefully to conceal his whereabouts, so that he may avoid listening to the impossible demands of the students and, perhaps, the injuring not only of his dignity but his person.

This morning the students were to have called at the Foreign Office to force an interview with Dr. Wellington Koo, but the meeting did not take place. The Foreign Minister was out and, for one reason or another, the students did not present their cards. However, even had they been able to make their projected call, there would have been no one to receive them, for the entire staff of the Foreign Office was absent, conspicuously so.

CHINA PEACE.**MR. WANG CHING-WEI'S
SUGGESTION.**

Shanghai, Dec. 11.—With a view to settling the Manchurian dispute and bringing about peace in China, Mr. Wang Ching-wei has suggested the organization of a National Salvation Conference to take the place of the Fourth Kuomintang Congress. Mr. Wang in a long statement addressed to the Nanking and Canton leaders urges that representatives of the two Governments and delegates representing the public bodies should be invited to participate in this meeting which he says should hold its preliminary sessions at Shanghai.

Complicated Situation.

Emphasizing the numerous obstacles confronting the Fourth Kuomintang National Congress, Mr. Wang Ching-wei says that although the preliminary peace conferences were held in Shanghai, and resolutions were passed unfortunately the decisions had not been approved by a section of the Southern leaders who insisted on the retirement of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek before the departure of the southern Congress delegates from Canton for Nanking. Meanwhile this hopeless position had been made more complicated by the stubborn attitude of Nanking in insisting that Chiang Kai-shek should only resign after the final session of the Congress at Nanking.

It is feared that a deadlock will be reached if the existing situation is allowed to continue. Mr. Wang Ching-wei concludes by saying that if the leaders of the two Governments are willing to attend this National Conference at Nanking he is most willing to draft the regulations governing its convention.

Delegates Arrive. The four Southern peace envoys, Messrs. Sun Fo, Eugene Chen, Li Wen-fan and C. C. Wu, who left Hongkong on the President Coolidge, arrived here yesterday afternoon and conferred with Messrs. Wang Ching-wei and Chow Lu at the residence of Mr. Sun Fo for two hours yesterday evening. Later the same night General Chen Ming-shu and Messrs. Fu Ping-sheung and Cheng Hung-nien arrived and joined in the discussion.

Interviewed by newspaper correspondents after the meeting, Mr. Sun Fo said that they had merely exchanged views with the Nanking envoys and no important decision had been reached. The Southern envoys conveyed to the Nanking representatives the Canton demand for the retirement of Chiang Kai-shek to which General Chen Ming-shu replied that while Chiang Kai-shek did not object to this demand he desired two high officials selected by Canton to proceed to Nanking immediately to take over the administration of the National Government Council and the Executive Yuan during the transitional period pending the final election at the Fourth Congress meeting at Nanking.

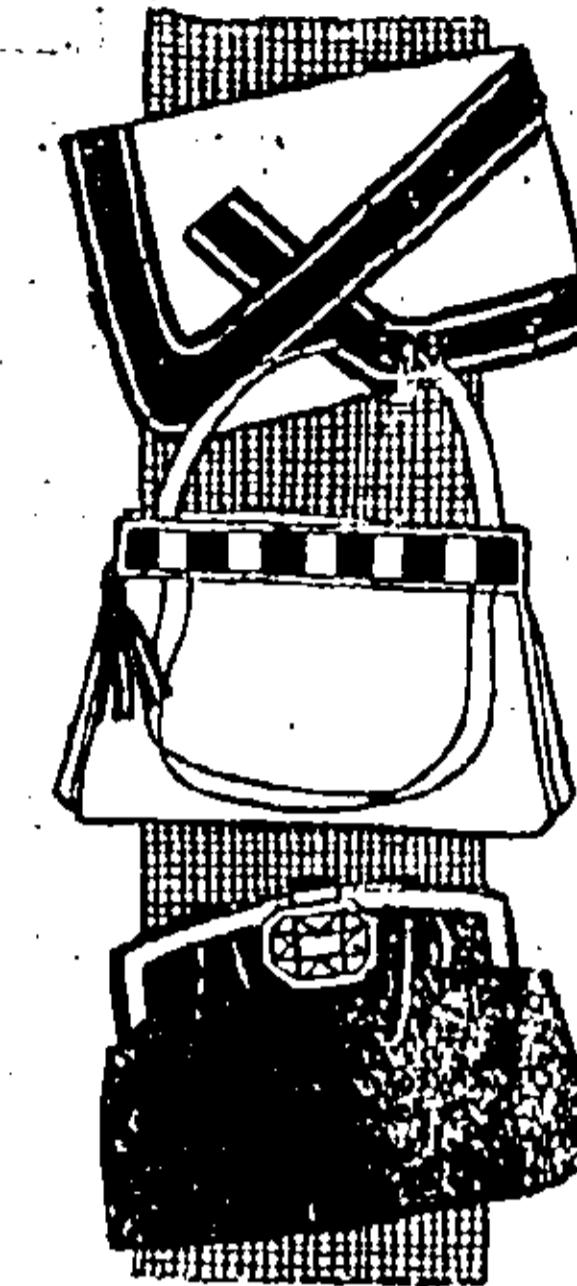
Mr. Sun Fo said that the Canton leaders had not been able to decide on the selection of these two men, and consequently the final meeting of the Congress will have to be postponed for another week or so.

Mr. Hu Han-min's Secretary, Mr. Li Wen-fan, who was among the Canton envoys, hinted to the newspaper representatives that he was most confident that the man to succeed Chiang Kai-shek at Nanking would not be a member of the Canton Government but one who would be approved by the Cantonese faction.

To settle the dispute regarding the ten additional congress members elected by Mr. Wang Ching-wei and the 250 retired congress delegates in Shanghai, the leaders have made a suggestion to admit these ten officials in the Executive committee, agreeing simultaneously to allow Nanking to elect ten more members making up the total on each side to 30 members.

Mr. Hu Han-min in Colony.
Unknown to even his close associates, Mr. Hu Han-min

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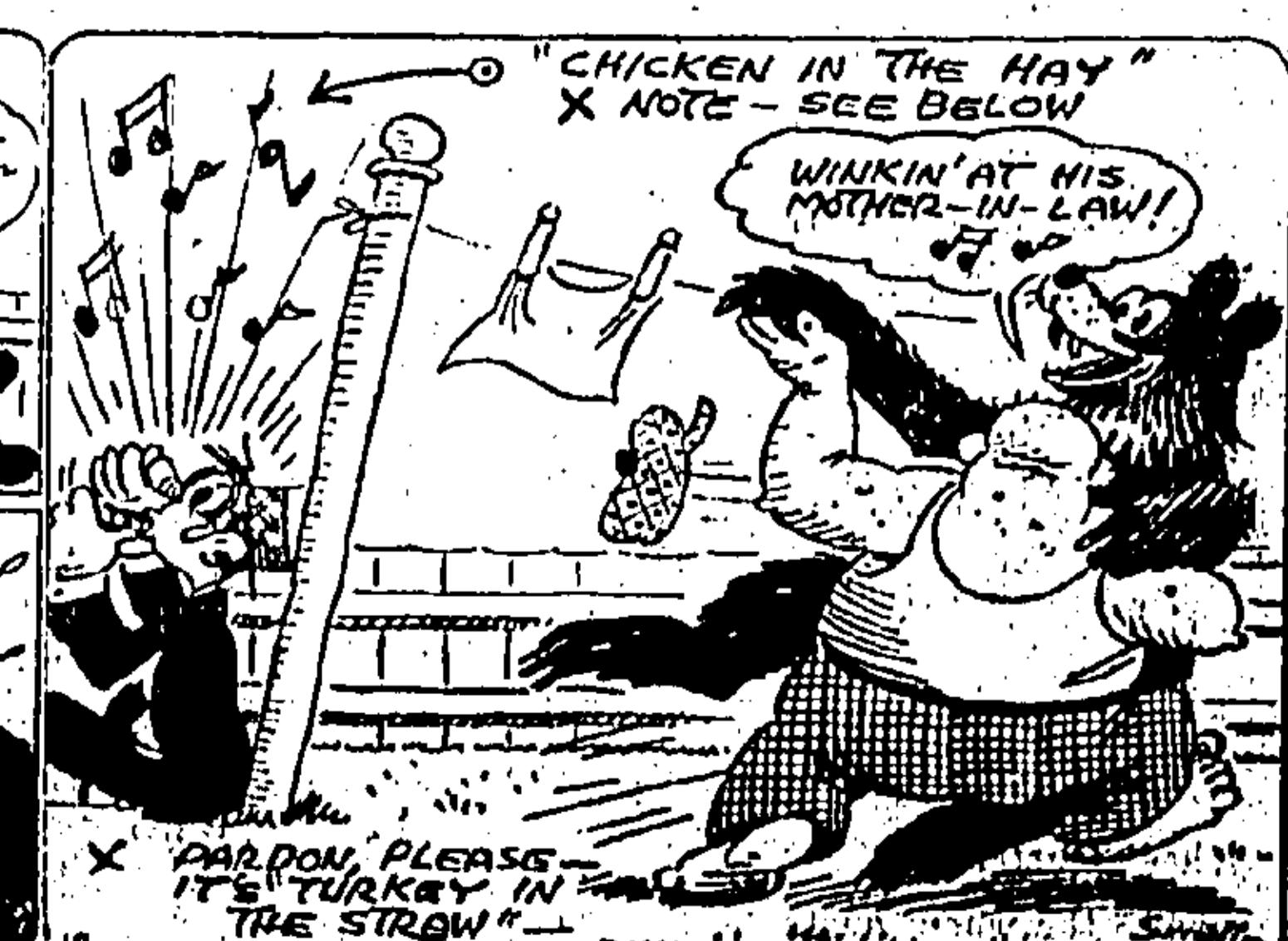


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Mary arranges for Eddie to be admitted secretly. When she goes upstairs to meet him, she finds Jupiter rolled up and murdered in her room. Router is found and, in her room, she finds him in the card with Cornelius Taber, his childhood sweetheart.

CHAPTER III

Mary was too surprised to move for an instant. What could be the matter with Cornelius that she should behave like that?

Dirk growled. "Don't make a damn fool of yourself, Con. And keep your voice down, will you? Do you want everybody to hear?"

"I don't care!" Cornelius subsided into childlike sniffling. Just then she looked up and saw Mary watching them. Mary thought she had never seen anyone look so ugly in her life. Cornelius hadn't expected interruption, that was sure, from the dumbfounded look on her face.

At Mary's call, Dirk wheeled about so abruptly that the clinging girl toppled and almost fell.

"Come quick, Dirk! Something terrible has happened!" Without a backward look, Dirk came running and took the steps to her side in a single bound.

"What's wrong? You look scared to death, honey," he asked worriedly. The terror in her eyes stabbed him with concern. His arm went about her protectively. They drew away, out of Cornelius's hearing, and lowered their voices somewhat.

Mary poured out her story in an excited jumble, almost crying with the joy of relief.

"Do you think it's anything to do with Eddie?" she asked anxiously. "Listen," said Dirk, "who is this Eddie you're talking about? You don't mean the kid brother?"

Mary said yes, of course.

"But what has he got to do with it?" "I don't know—nothing, I suppose. But he may have been in the house. He was in trouble—"

Dirk laughed and patted her shoulder. In spite of herself, Mary felt reassured. Dirk seemed to wipe the whole nightmare away.

"That kid? Why, you're all mixed up. This is something else. That kid wouldn't hurt a fly!" He pressed her hand comfortingly and they started for the house.

Dirk called sharply, "Coming, Connie?"

Cornelia, still standing where he had left her, moved forward convulsively at his command.

They had reached the loggia when Teddy Doubtful lumbered toward them out of the darkness, cursing earnestly, and seized upon them as an audience for his griefs. "Damned idiot!" he exclaimed fervently, rubbing his drooping shoulder. "Ran into me down in the bushes and knocked the breath out of me. And not a word to excuse it—not a word!"

They did not listen. "Have you seen Mr. Jupiter?" Mary paused to ask.

"Have I seen him? No. Ask me if I've seen Jack Dempsey. Yes? Who was the fool, anyhow? What'daya ask such people for?"

"Who?" They could not wait for his answer. It was all meaningless chatter, anyway—he was drunk enough to have collided with the side of the house.

"That fool I just met. Listen! he called, plaintively, after them. "You know what—"

"Keep still about Eddie," Dirk said to Mary in a low voice as they entered the house, "till we see what's what. No use mixing him up in it unless we have to. He might have a bad time."

The ballroom was deserted now, except for the musicians, who were packing up their instruments. The subdued babble from the dining room indicated that supper was still going on.

In other parts of the house, however, activity was intense. Two men in uniform pounded up the staircase in the wake of the butler, crashing with leather and breathing as if they had run. Police, in the sacred precincts of the Jupiter mansion! One of them turned and called to a third who remained behind. "Don't let anybody leave the house!"

Dirk squeezed Mary's hand reassuringly. "They'll find whoever did it. Those boys work fast. Don't worry. It will be all right."

Mary had cause to be grateful for the steadiness that came to her magically at Dirk's touch, for there were bad moments ahead of her in which she needed all the composure she could muster.

It was all at once a topsy-turvy world. The Jupiter mansion no longer belonged to its owner, in effect, but to Inspector Kane, and the men who came with him from county police headquarters. The cream of Southampton's younger set found themselves herded into the ballroom for questioning along with a frightened huddle of servants. It was hours before the questioning, the running up and downstairs, the choking breath of

flashlight powder, the hurrying to and fro, ceased.

The murderer, it seemed, had got clear away. Search of the grounds had failed to show any evidence of his coming or going; both the manner of his entrance and of his exit were unaccounted for. This much they gleaned from what they could overhear. Whoever the intruder was, he had done a clean-cut job of it. As the checking of evidence went on, it began to appear that no one except Mary had direct evidence of any sort.

And that was pitifully little and of no practical use.

"I can't," Mary was forced to admit, in reply to Inspector Kane's earnest urging to recall the man's voice she had heard in the murdered woman's room. "It wasn't a voice exactly—it was just a growl, n—oh, I can't explain it. It was just a sound anyone might have made in his throat if he were angry. You'd say if you heard it that he was mad enough to kill."

"It didn't remind you of any voice you'd ever heard before?"

"Why, no!" She was obviously startled.

The inspector frowned thoughtfully.

"What I am getting at," he was kind enough to explain to them both, in a lowered tone, "is the possibility of an inside job. The butler—do you trust him?"

"Absolutely!" It was a relief to be on safe ground.

The inspector sighed.

"Well, I do, too. I think he's on the level when he says he kept everybody out that hadn't been invited. He had a real argument with one man, he says—nearly threw him out. But Lord, there are a dozen loop-holes. Nobody checked on the ears that came and went, and there were plenty of windows open. Those doors over there," he indicated the French doors opening onto the loggia, "were open when I came in. What do we know about those black horn-tooters? Not a thing." He shook his head.

If he had meant to throw Mary off guard by this confidential moment, he succeeded, for she changed colour when he asked abruptly: "What were you doing upstairs, Miss Harkness? When you heard the sounds you speak of, and the shots?"

"Why, I—" Panic seized her.

"You had been dancing a moment before, hadn't you? Why did you leave the ballroom and go upstairs?"

"I—went up to see how Mrs. Jupiter was," Mary faltered. "Someone told me she was tired and had gone to her room to rest."

"You were—alone, up there?"

"Why, yes." What did he mean, Mary wondered fearfully. What did he know?

But his question had had a different meaning, she soon saw from its effect on Dirk. He turned first red, then white, and jumped to his feet. "He drew a deep breath.

"She certainly was alone," he said angrily.

"All right, all right," the officer returned, specifically. "We've got to think of everything you know. And two witnesses would be better than one."

"I see no reason nor excuse," Dirk said stiffly, "for your thinking of such a thing."

The detective was not riled. Mary was hiding something, he thought, but it was not a love tryst. For the moment he was ready to give over questioning her further, until he heard from the others, who had been rounding up what evidence there was.

"Listen, buddy," he told the glowering Dirk firmly, "stranger things happen every day. No use having tender feelings. I'm just trying to find out what's what."

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It was all at once a topsy-turvy world. The Jupiter mansion no longer belonged to its owner, in effect, but to Inspector Kane, and the men who came with him from county police headquarters. The cream of Southampton's younger set found themselves herded into the ballroom for questioning along with a frightened huddle of servants.

It was hours before the questioning, the running up and downstairs, the choking breath of

flashlight powder, the hurrying to and fro, ceased.

The murderer, it seemed, had got clear away. Search of the grounds had failed to show any evidence of his coming or going; both the manner of his entrance and of his exit were unaccounted for. This much they gleaned from what they could overhear. Whoever the intruder was, he had done a clean-cut job of it. As the checking of evidence went on, it began to appear that no one except Mary had direct evidence of any sort.

And that was pitifully little and of no practical use.

"I can't," Mary was forced to admit, in reply to Inspector Kane's earnest urging to recall the man's voice she had heard in the murdered woman's room. "It wasn't a voice exactly—it was just a growl, n—oh, I can't explain it. It was just a sound anyone might have made in his throat if he were angry. You'd say if you heard it that he was mad enough to kill."

"It didn't remind you of any voice you'd ever heard before?"

"Why, no!" She was obviously startled.

The inspector frowned thoughtfully.

"What I am getting at," he was kind enough to explain to them both, in a lowered tone, "is the possibility of an inside job. The butler—do you trust him?"

"Absolutely!" It was a relief to be on safe ground.

The inspector sighed.

"Well, I do, too. I think he's on the level when he says he kept everybody out that hadn't been invited. He had a real argument with one man, he says—nearly threw him out. But Lord, there are a dozen loop-holes. Nobody checked on the ears that came and went, and there were plenty of windows open. Those doors over there," he indicated the French doors opening onto the loggia, "were open when I came in. What do we know about those black horn-tooters? Not a thing." He shook his head.

If he had meant to throw Mary off guard by this confidential moment, he succeeded, for she changed colour when he asked abruptly: "What were you doing upstairs, Miss Harkness? When you heard the sounds you speak of, and the shots?"

"Why, I—" Panic seized her.

"You had been dancing a moment before, hadn't you? Why did you leave the ballroom and go upstairs?"

"I—went up to see how Mrs. Jupiter was," Mary faltered. "Someone told me she was tired and had gone to her room to rest."

"You were—alone, up there?"

"Why, yes." What did he mean, Mary wondered fearfully. What did he know?

But his question had had a different meaning, she soon saw from its effect on Dirk. He turned first red, then white, and jumped to his feet. "He drew a deep breath.

"She certainly was alone," he said angrily.

"All right, all right," the officer returned, specifically. "We've got to think of everything you know. And two witnesses would be better than one."

"I see no reason nor excuse," Dirk said stiffly, "for your thinking of such a thing."

The detective was not riled. Mary was hiding something, he thought, but it was not a love tryst. "They're like a lot of sheep."

"Get 'em all? Sure you didn't miss anybody?" he asked sharply.

The detective retrieved a list from his hip pocket, where he had just stuffed it, and scanned it.

"Two," he said. "A maid named Bessie and a chauffeur. Nobody knows where they've gone."

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CHURCH NOTICES.

To-morrow the Second Sunday after Advent.

LOCAL SERVICES.

St. John's Cathedral. Holy Communion 8 a.m.; Holy Communion (Peak Church) 8 a.m.; Children's Service 10 a.m.; Mattins and Sermon 11 a.m. Preacher: Rev. H. V. Koop.

Evening 6.30 p.m. Preacher: The Dean. There will be a Social Evening in the Cathedral Hall after Evensong to which all are welcome. Refreshments and a musical programme are provided.

At the Children's Service at 10 a.m. on Sunday, December 13, children are invited to bring gifts of toys, etc., for distribution at Christmas to children of poor Chinese children.

First Church of Christ Scientist, Macdonnell Road, below Bowen Road Tram Station. Sunday Service, 11.15 a.m. Subject: "God the Preserver of Man." The Sunday School is held on Sunday Morning at 10 o'clock. Wednesday Evening Meeting at 6.00 p.m. Reading Room at above address open Tuesday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon. Monday and Thursday, 5.30 to 7 p.m. The Public is cordially invited to attend the service and visit the Reading Room, Branch of The Mother Church. The First Church of Christ Scientist, in Boston, Mass., U.S.A.

Seventh Day Adventists. The following are the forthcoming services at the Seventh Day Adventist Chapel, 20, Ice House Street:

Saturday, 2 p.m. Preaching.
Saturday, 3 p.m. Sabbath School.

Sunday night, 8.30 p.m. Dec. 13. Subject: "The Investigative Judgment now in Session." ("The hour of His Judgment is come," Rev. 14: 7).

Wednesday night, 8 p.m. Prayer Meeting.

An invitation is extended to all to come and investigate these solemn messages applicable to our present time.

Union Church, Kennedy Road, Sunday, 13 December 1931. Morning Service, 11 a.m. Preacher, Rev. F. Short. The service will be broadcast.

Evening Service, 6 p.m. Preacher, Rev. E. G. Powell. Social Hour after Evening Service.

Sunday Schools: Kennedy Road, 10 a.m. Tai Kok, 2.45 p.m.

Wesleyan Methodist Church, Wan Chai. (Opposite the Royal Naval Hospital, Queen's Road E.) Sunday, December 13, 1931. Third Sunday in Advent.

Morning Service, 10.15 a.m. Preacher, Rev. Ellis C. H. Tribbeck. Subject: "The Man We See and the Man We Seek."

Evening Service, 6 p.m. Preacher, Rev. Ellis C. H. Tribbeck. Subject: "Does God Guide all Men to Bethlehem?"

Sunday School every Sunday morning 9.15 a.m.

At the Sailors' and Soldiers' Home, Wan Chai.

Sunday at 3 p.m.—Bible Class. Sunday at 8.15 p.m.—Service Men's Hour.

Tuesday at 8 p.m.—Fellowship. Wednesday at 8 p.m.—Lecture by Col. R. B. Skinner, O.B.E. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

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The Annual Meeting of the Members and Adherents of the above Church will be held in the Church Schoolroom on Friday, December 18th at 9.00 p.m.

Chairman—Rev'd. Frank Short. Business—Presentation of Annual Reports, Election of Officers and Committee for the ensuing year, and the presentation of the proposed draft Constitution, &c.

The attendance of all Members and Adherents is earnestly requested.

News has also been received of the proposed departure from England in the Memelius, which is due to arrive in the Colony on the 1st January, 1932, of our new pastor, Rev'd. E. L. Allen, M. A. PhD., who is being accompanied by Mrs. Allen and child.

Dr. and Mrs. Allen have been previously in the Far East, as they were both Missionaries at Swabue, near Bias Bay (about three years ago) but were driven out by Pirates and Communists, when they returned to England.

It is with much hope that we look forward to the arrival of Dr. and Mrs. Allen, and with anticipation that under his leadership our church will receive a new impetus.

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PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet.	Annual Rental.	Upset Price
1	Lot No. 2922.	Between Island Lots Nos 2823 and 2824, Hennessy Road.	N. S. E. W. feet feet feet feet	About 4,207	\$48	\$42,000

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2	Kowloon Island Lot No. 2950.	Junction of Tons Ali Road and Tons Mong Kok Road.	N. S. E. W. feet feet feet feet	About 24,660	\$48	\$37,441

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No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet.	Annual Rental.	Upset Price
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Member wishing to participate are invited to send in their Names, accompanied with a deposit of \$300 in respect of each dog applied for, as soon as possible.

Names will be booked in the order as received.

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By order,

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Hon. Secretary.

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The Annual Dinner Dance will be held at the Peninsula Hotel, Kowloon on Friday, December 18th, 1931.

Tables may be booked at the Peninsula or Hongkong Hotel. Charge for each person \$6.00. Payment must be made when booking tables, tickets will be issued.

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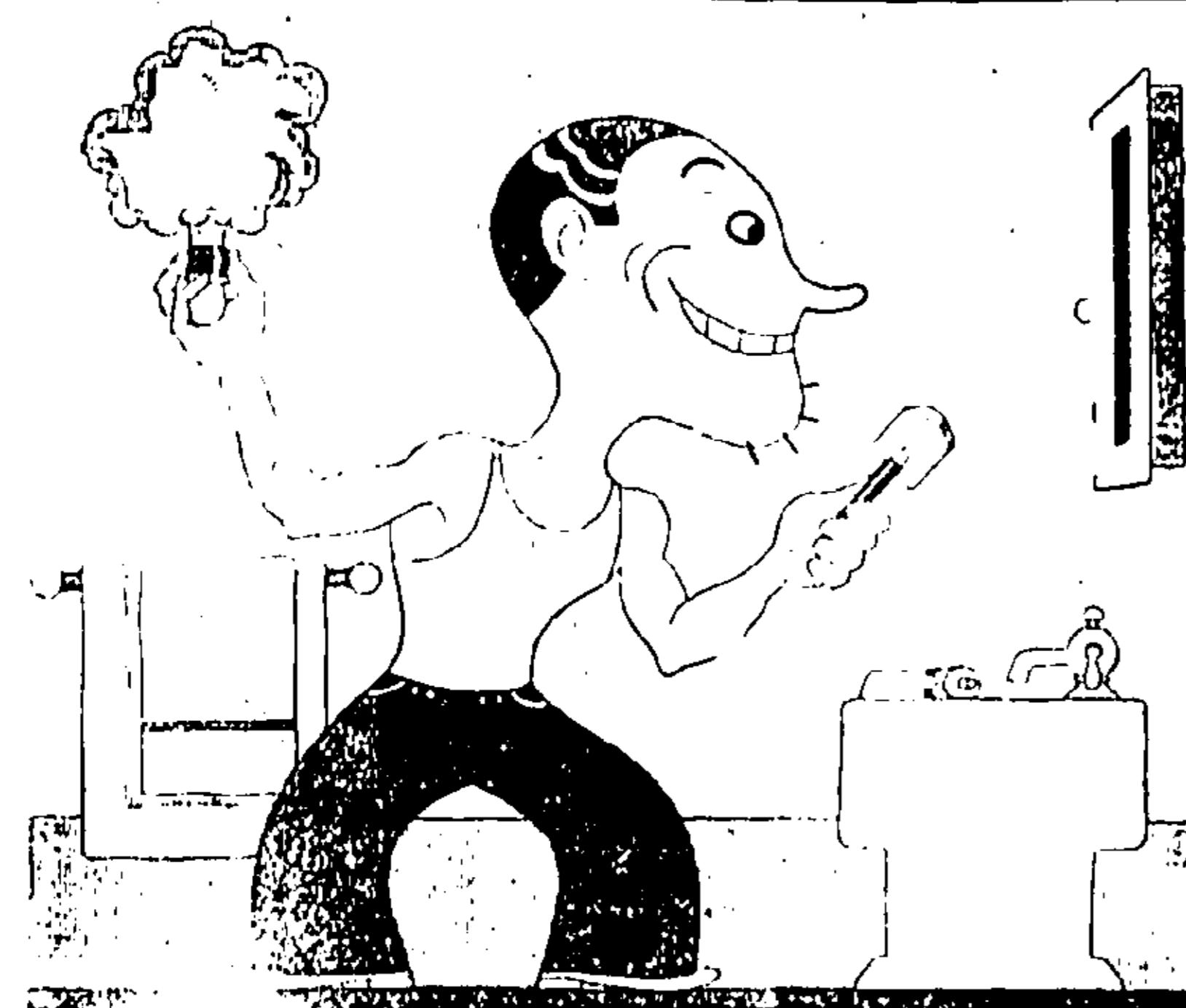
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The standard of play throughout was very high and there were several games in which only one or two points separated the winner and loser.

Cpl. Cottle, Sergt. Pollard, S. A. Warne and Writer Hellyer delighted the onlookers with an exhibition of some very fine strokes and it was not until the last game was concluded that it was possible to form an idea of the winning team. The results were as follows:

Royal Engineers.

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Paris	83.15/16	84.13/16
Geneva	6.15/16	7
Berlin	12.15/16	13.31/32
Oslo	18%	18%
Helsingfors	192 ¹ / ₂	192 ¹ / ₂
Athens	250	250
Buenos Aires	41 ¹ / ₂	41 ¹ / ₂
Shanghai	1/11.9/16	1/11.3/16
New York	3.29/2	3.32/2
Amsterdam	83/16	87/32
Stockholm	18%	18%
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Hongkong	1/5 ¹ / ₂	1/5.16/16
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Prague	111	112
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Bombay	1/6.7/64	1/6.6/64
Yokohama	2/11	2/11
Montreal	3.93	3.98 ¹ / ₂
Silver (spot)	20.3/16	20.7/16
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The Health Bulletin of Eastern Ports for the week ending the 5th gives the following cases of infection, disease and deaths therewith: Plague, Alexandria 1 case, Port Said 2 cases, Cholera, Bombay 1 death, Calcutta 11 cases, 6 deaths, Colombo 1 case, 1 death, Canton 3 cases, Small-pox, Bucholud 4 cases, 2 deaths, Calcutta 1 case, 1 death, Karachi 4 cases, Madras 3 cases, Rangoon 2 cases, 1 death, Saigon 7 cases, 3 deaths, Amoy 11 cases, 7 deaths, Canton 2 cases, Shanghai 20 cases, 8 deaths.

CINEMA SCREENINGS.

NOTES SUPPLIED BY THE THEATRES.

Take a trip through the First National Studio and all the famous places of Hollywood! "This is the advice broadcast by the management of the Queen's Theatre, where "Show Girl in Hollywood" First National's amusing screen drama of the film capital,

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"The Great Lover."

"Give me actors and actresses who can prove themselves as skillful in one type of role as in another, and I have no fear now to the success of a picture," said Harry Beaumont in a recent interview.

The Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer director who has turned out such hits as "Dance, Fools, Dance," "Our Blushing Brides" and "Our Dancing Daughters" recently completed "The Great Lover," featuring Adolphe Menjou, which is coming to-morrow to the Queen's Theatre.

"I have heard critics say that it isn't necessary for a player to do many things on the stage or screen if he or she can do one thing well. These people point to the success of Lon Chaney in his grotesque characterizations or to Buster Keaton with his famous "frozen face." These men are merely exceptions that prove the rule. The late Chaney took every kind of role the stage had to offer in his early days. Keaton in vaudeville days even played leading juvenile roles!

"There could be no more abrupt reversal of parts than that made by Adolphe Menjou in going from the cynical, hard-boiled managing editor of a newspaper in 'The Front Page' to the suave, romantic hero of 'The Great Lover.' It is Menjou's cap-

ability to cast both parts with a superb skill that makes him the popular box-office attraction that he is."

"Irene Dunne is a similar case. As the ambitious opera singer of 'The Great Lover' she plays a rôle diametrically opposite that of the frontier woman who played in 'Oklahoma!'

"The Sea God."

"Hot Baby" and "General Grant," two-mast pearlring schooners, have broken into motion pictures. The two vessels appear in Paramount's mystery-romance, "The Sea God," which concluded its showings at the Central Theatre to-day. Richard Arlen, who heads the featured cast of the picture, with Fay Wray, is Robert LeRoy, skipper of "Hot Baby," while Robert Greig is late of the Broadway stage, the commander of "General Grant."

Both vessels are veteran cruisers of the South Sea Island and have participated in many pearl fishing expeditions.

"Hot Baby" is sixty-five feet long and has a seventeen foot beam.

"General Grant" is just a trifle longer. Both ships are equipped with auxiliary motors but depend upon sail for travelling on the high seas.

Action of "The Sea God" was filmed on the ocean from the vessels, under water in a region noted for submarine gardens, and on the island where the picture unit made its headquarters.

"Eric Lynne."

Mrs. Henry Wood's famous novel,

"Eric Lynne," which has touched the heart of almost everyone who has read it, has now been made into talkies.

The result does not adhere scrupulously to the original but the director, Frank Lloyd, has succeeded in capturing the spirit of the book, which is the main thing.

The director did not have to alter very much of this famous play. All the requirements were there—drama and pathos enough for the writer, who saw the preview on Thursday, to predict that there will be some shedding of tears in the King's Theatre when the picture is shown.

The story is told simply and naturally with regard for period and manners and without distorting emphasis. As is to be expected in a tale of this sort, there are the usual sentimental tricks and omissions, but these are only a minor detail.

Art. Harding's performance as

Lady Isabel is remarkable in certain

parts for a certain quiet dignity and

tenderness, and rises to great emotional heights towards the end of the film.

Divorced by her husband, Robert Carlyle (Conrad Nagel), "with ten

generations of Puritanism behind him," for unfaithfulness of which she is innocent, living in increasing

poverty with Capt. Lovis (Clive Brook), injured during the siege of Paris, so that her eye-sight is

endangered, she preserves her single

purpose to see again the child to

whom she is forbidden access. Joyce,

her old servant and the boy's nurse,

admits her secretly to the house.

Having spent a night with the child,

she finds in the morning that she is

blind, stumbles away through the

grounds of East Lynne, falls into a

quarry, and is killed.

Of the two men, Clive Brook gives

perhaps a better performance. He

skillfully preserves the balance of a

part that any unsteadiness of acting

would have reduced to conventional

villainy. Beryl Mercer, the English

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PICTORIAL SUPPLEMENT

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Brownies spent a happy afternoon in the grounds of Government House recently. Above is seen the start of one of the races. (Photo: Ming Yuen Studio).



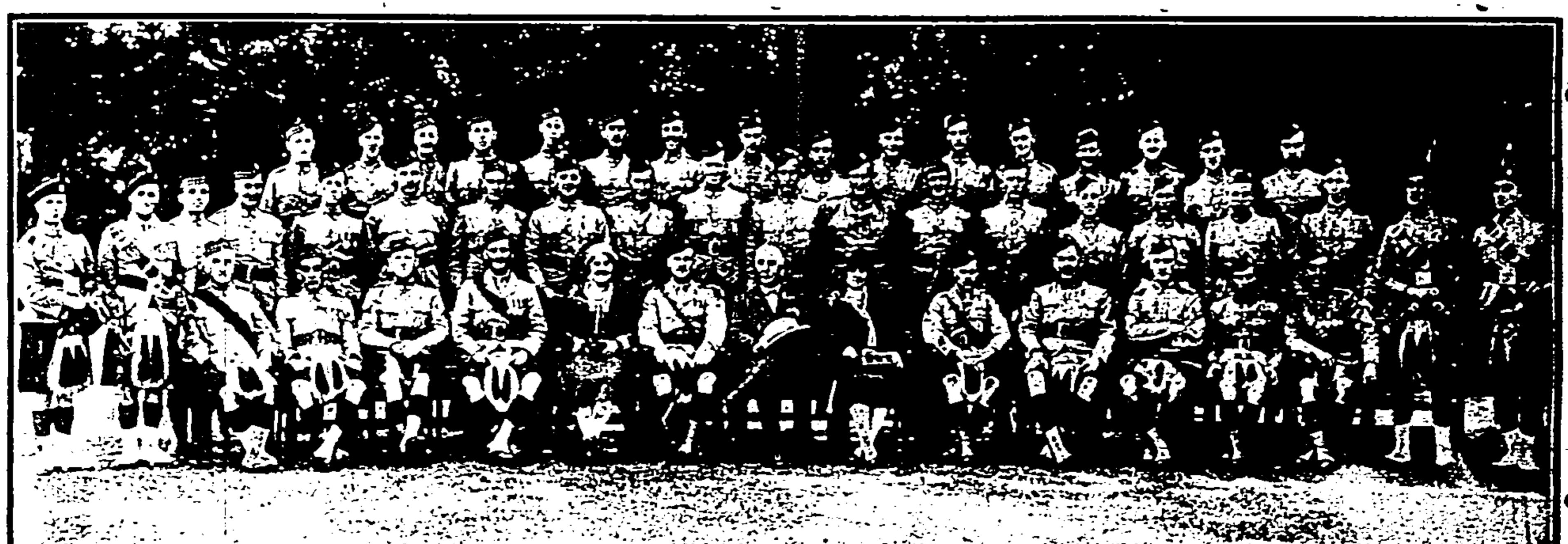
An effective view of a Pokfulum residence, photographed from underneath the bridge. Mr. H. E. Lang was the photographer.



The wedding took place recently of Mr. Lo Wah-fook and Miss Lam Cheong-tong. Subsequently a reception was held at the Hongkong Hotel Roof Garden, where the above group was taken.



Bridal group taken at the Lee Villa, Fanling, after the recent wedding of Mr. Lee Hon-chiu and Miss Yip Mee-lun.



A striking group photograph of the Scottish Company of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps, taken after the recent annual church parade. Mr. A. Stevenson, President of the St. Andrew's Society, is seen seated in centre, whilst his wife and daughter also appear in the group. (Photo: Ming Yuen Studio).



A snapshot taken during the closing day of the lawn bowls section of Kowloon Dock Recreation Club, when the annual match between President's and Vice-President's teams took place. (Photo: Mee Cheung).



An incident in the Rugby match in which, after a fine game, the Club defeated the Army by 18 points to eight. (Photo: Mee Cheung).



Mr. Li Yuk Tong, well known Hong Kong business man, who celebrated his 81st birthday last Saturday. (Photo: Yim Fong Studio).



Mr. T. N. Chau, the newly-appointed Chinese member of the Legislative Council, in succession to Sir Shouson Chow. (Photo: Yim Fong Studio).



An interesting wedding took place at St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, when Miss D. E. Clements, recently arrived from Home, became the bride of Mr. E. L. Powell. The above group was subsequently taken. (Photo: Mee Cheung).



Group taken at the first annual dinner of the Hong Kong Police Reserve, at which the Inspector General of Police paid a tribute to the efficient and enthusiastic service rendered by the members during the recent disturbances. (Photo: Ming Yuen Studio).



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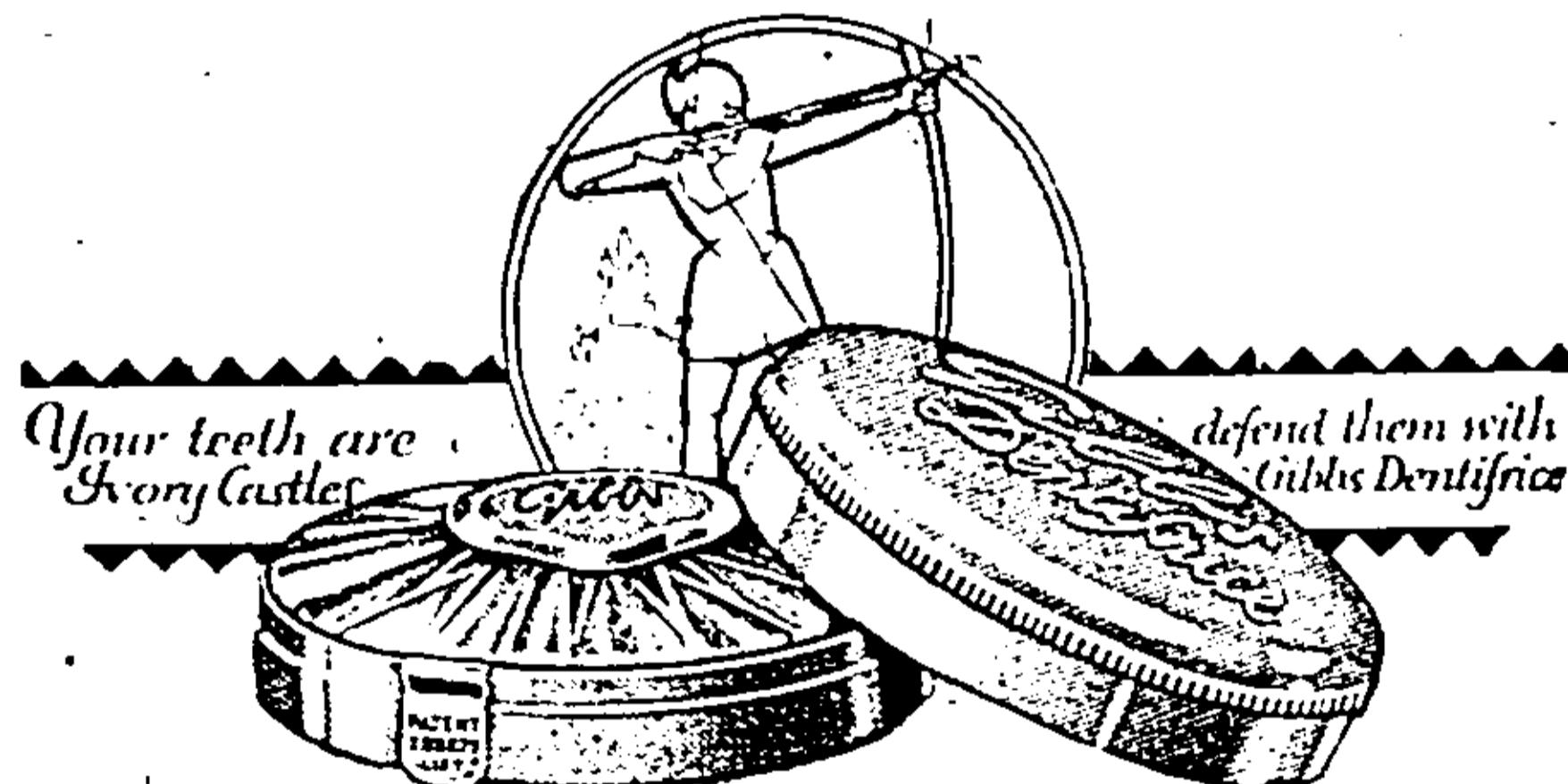
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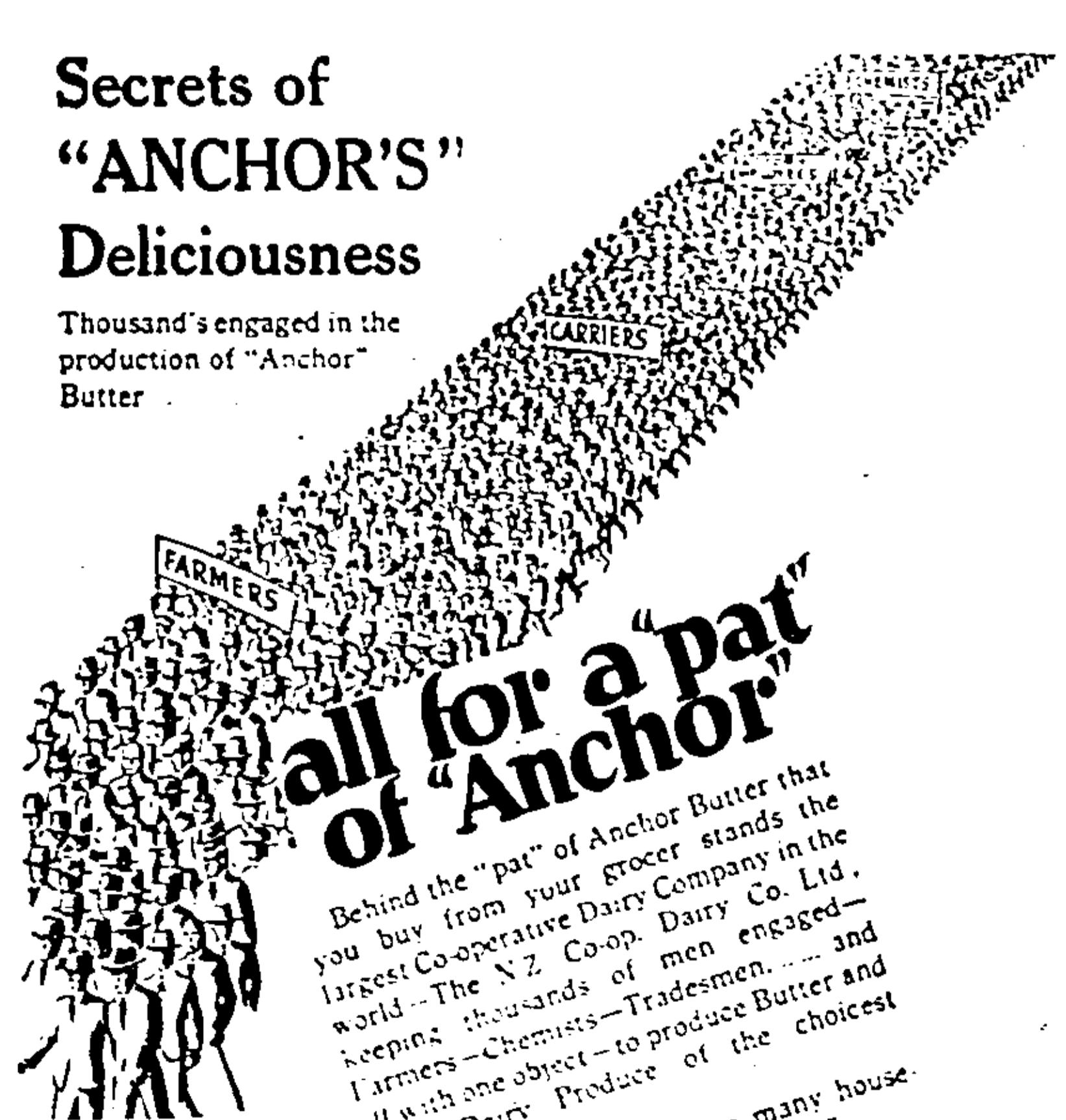


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A pretty wedding took place at the Union Church on Saturday, when Mr. James Cameron, of the Chartered Bank staff in Haiphong was married to Miss Isabel Margaret Young. Subsequently, the above group was taken. (Photo: Ming Studio).



Much interest was taken in the wedding, at St. John's Cathedral last Saturday, of Mr. P. H. Larken and Miss Rose Lettice Chan. Above is seen the bridal party.
(Photo: Ming Yuen Studio).



Mr. C. Reg. Anderson is here seen as
Bandmaster Van Vuyt.



Mrs. Beilby as Sally, in "Miss Hook of Holland." (Photo: Ming Yuen Studio).



Another picture of Mrs. H. E. Strange
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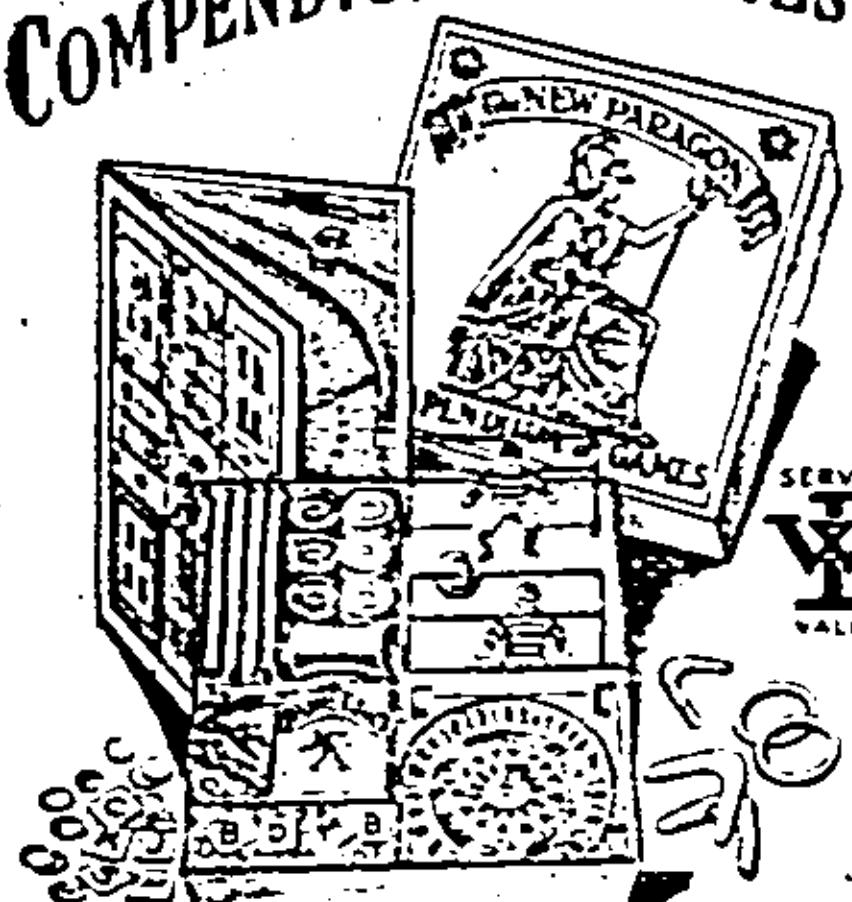
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The Philharmonic Society scored a big success last night in "Miss Hook of Holland." Mrs. H. E. Strange (on extreme right) and the seven orphans, seen above, made a big hit. (Photo: Ming Yuen Studio).



Principals in "Miss Hook of Holland." Left to right:—Mr. George McLeod as Mr. Hook; Mr. F. E. Skinner in the role of Capt. Paaf; and Mr. V. C. Labrum as Slinks. (Photos: Ming Yuen Studio).



More of the principals: Left to right:—Mr. T. R. Rowell as Schnapps; Mrs. Court as Freda and Mr. F. E. Skinner as Capt. Paaf; Mrs. Moodie as Mina. (Photos: Ming Yuen Studio).



H. E. Major General Sandilands and officers of the Volunteer Defence Corps in Camp. Amongst the officers are Captain Goater, Adjutant; Capt. E. J. R. Mitchell, M. G. Company; and Lieut. A. H. Potts, M. G. Troop. (Photo: Ming Yuen Studio).

Another group taken at the Volunteer camp. Left to right:—Second Lieut. J. H. Bottomley, Second Lieut. Stewart, Second Lieut. Dr. Durran, Second Lieut. Westlake, Lieut. Owen Hughes, and Co. S. M. Edmonds. (Photo: Ming Yuen Studio).

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BRITAIN SOUND AT HEART.

Pessimists who have been both alarmed and puzzled by the fall in the exchange value of the pound will, it is to be hoped, find in Mr. Neville Chamberlain's latest speech something to cause them to view the situation much more complacently. It has all along been apparent that the decline of sterling has had nothing to do with Britain's internal conditions. Nothing has happened to support the view that the country is in a bad way. The whole explanation is to be found in the withdrawal of foreign money—a withdrawal which, as Mr. Chamberlain suggests, will eventually be proved to have been utterly foolish. In the circumstances, there is nothing immediate that the Government can do to rectify the situation, which will eventually readjust itself as general world confidence is restored.

It is becoming more evident every day that no marked improvement will be seen in world conditions until the war debt and reparations issues are sensibly handled. There are expectations that the near future will witness a serious international effort to deal with these problems. No mere tinkering with the question will suffice; it must be tackled on thorough-going lines. Admittedly, there are difficulties ahead, but it should not be beyond the ingenuity of the Powers to evolve such modifications as will be of mutual benefit to all concerned. The French attitude that any revision of reparations must be accompanied by a corresponding scaling-down of war debts is one which will find considerable support in Europe. There are other, and equally important, considerations, but the main point is that the existing schemes will have to be thrown into the melting-pot and a completely new set of

arrangements devised. Only in this way will it be possible to get at the root of the present-day lack of confidence. Meanwhile, sterling remains low, and although some improvement is expected in the near future, it seems likely that we shall have to wait for an overhauling of the war debts and other germane issues before any measure of stability can be assured. At the moment, of course, British trade is being helped by the decline in the pound, a circumstance which makes it possible to reconcile ourselves to other aspects of the situation. The chief necessity, so far as the people of the Old Country are concerned, is to maintain the internal purchasing power of the pound, which the Government is seeking to do by all means at its disposal. There is, of course, bound to be some adverse effect felt by the decline in sterling, especially in the prices of imported goods, but it is not expected that the rise in living costs will be very marked.

The great need, not only for Britain, but for the whole world is stability, so that we may all know exactly where we stand. The present fluctuation and uncertainty are good for no-one. Fortunately, despite the abnormal conditions, Britain remains thoroughly sound at heart. Not only is she able to meet all her obligations, but she is in a position to make substantial provision for debt redemption. There has latterly been some talk in the Paris press of co-operation with Britain for the purpose of stabilizing the pound. Indeed, it has been definitely reported that, during his recent visit to England, the French Finance Minister offered Britain a stabilisation loan in return for concessions on the tariff issue but that the offer was turned down. The inference from this circumstance is that Britain is quite well able to cope with the situation, and although she may not be in a position to bring back the lost value of sterling at the moment, she can afford to await developments which in the long run will rectify the situation.

Labour-Saving Device Dispute.
The "more looms per weaver" question, which has been vexing employers and operatives in the Lancashire cotton industry for some months past, still defies settlement. The temporary agreement reached at Burnley, experimental in character, and giving rise to hopes that a way to a permanent solution had been opened, is now repudiated by the General Council of the Weavers' Amalgamation. This agreement permitted the operation of six looms instead of the customary four, and instead of the eight originally proposed by the employers. It broke down because the Weavers' Amalgamation feared, not without cause, that local agreements would spread and render impossible the task of the trade union in negotiating an agreement satisfactory to the whole of the workers in the industry. The chief reason for the failure of all attempts at conciliation has been the difference in the wages proposed by the employers and those desired by the operatives. It needs no argument to justify the plea of the operative that in return for doubling his output he should receive, either a reduction of working hours, enabling displaced weavers to find employment, or a substantial increase in pay. The employers demanded a free hand in the allotment of looms, and, in the first instance at all events, were not prepared to add to the employee's wages. The result was a lockout, which failed, partly because of lack of unity among the mill-owners and partly because of the action of an unofficial committee of operatives in repudiating their leaders. That the more-looms system will finally be introduced into the Lancashire cotton industry can hardly be doubted, provided, of course, that satisfactory terms can be arranged. The weavers' contest is one of paramount interest to manual workers in all industries. It is time that the utilization of labour-saving devices provided an improvement in the conditions of the employee as well as the production costs of the employer.

The Government is calling for tenders for the construction of a Terkwood Motor Launch fitted with 6-8 H.P. Kelvin Slope Engine and marine equipment. The boat is to be built to the following dimensions: Length overall 20 feet; extreme breadth 8 feet; depth moulded 4 feet. The closing date for tenders is January 18.

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IF YOU LIVED IN RUSSIA
THE TOPSY-TURVY LAND OF THE SOVIETS
AS SEEN BY JULIA BLANSARD

If you lived in Russia to-day you would find innumerable opportunities to play. The government itself would make you sports conscious. It would offer you playgrounds and vacation and sporting equipment as part of its national plan. But it would not offer you anything like an amusement park. The Soviet government begins and ends its code of recreation with the question: What benefit does the citizen get out of it?

The government has sold the people on the idea that leisure is given them for constructive purposes. Rest and care for the sick and tired; sports for all youngsters; culture for everyone. The government considers it just as important to supply ways for workers to spend their spare time profitably as it is to see that the factories turn out their quota of goods.

So deadly serious is the workers' government that it even insists that dog shows should be for workers only! The day I left Moscow one of the open air parks displayed a sign: "Proletarian Dog Show. Only Useful Working Dogs Allowed—No Useless Pets." Dobermannpinschers and other watch dogs, GPU (secret police) hounds, sheep dogs and others with legitimate work to do were admitted. I saw a medal pinned on one dobermann-pinscher pup who could take orders in four languages, Russian, German, English and Norwegian!

DAY BY DAY

REVOLUTIONS ALWAYS PAVE THE WAY FOR THE DOMINATION OF THE SWORD.—Rivarol.

The name of Dr. E. C. Humphreys, dental surgeon, has been added to the Dental Register.

His Excellency the Governor has appointed Mr. L. R. Andrews to be an Official Justice of the Peace.

Mrs. R. M. Dyer is to distribute the Kowloon Junior School prizes on Wednesday, December 16, at 10.30 a.m.

At next Tuesday's meeting of the Rotary Club, Mr. William Kwai Fong-yee will give a talk on "The Chinese of Hawaii."

A handy little vest-pocket calendar showing the whole year at a glance has been issued by the Canadian National Railways.

The death has occurred in London of Mr. A. W. Still, who was for nearly 20 years editor of the Straits Times, Singapore.

The Government Gazette contains a Table of Precedence for Hongkong, which has been approved by His Majesty the King.

It is noticed in the Government Gazette that, as from January 1 next, the fees payable at the Gap Road School will be \$60 annum.

A qualifying examination for appointments of Probationer Clerks in Government Service is to be held in Queen's College on January 6, at 10 a.m.

The Government Gazette contains a new scale of charges for medical treatment and maintenance in Government hospitals. Private patients will be subject to additional charges for medical attendance and for surgical operations.

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Girl members of a volleyball team in Moscow—and they play with the boys—are shown above. Right, a Red soldier taking his exercise while comrades look on.

A person has a half million persons on holiday every day in the year, under the present plan of one day rest in every five. When I visited a few of the government-owned factory parks scattered through the city, I saw in one of them one single torrid 24 hours in August this year 100,000 men, women and children!

The day I arrived in Moscow, Turkey played Russia at soccer at the Dynamo Sports Ground. An enthusiastic horde of youngsters, many of them in shorts and shirts, were occupying the impressive new modern stadium, built to accommodate 100,000.

Here every summer evening, crowds of store workers, office or factory employees, and students meet to swim, compete on soccer teams, at volleyball, track meets and races or to join calisthenics or gymnasium classes. The girls and boys play in the same teams. Sex equality extends to the sporting world.

You can spend a week at the Moscow "Park of Culture and Rest" and hardly get a bird's-eye view. Here a union member buys an entrance ticket for 15 kopecks, but outsiders pay 10 times that. If a man or woman is tired, he may enter a rest home for 24 hours, with sunbaths furnished, quiet maintained and meals served in bed. A mother can check her boy or girl at the Children's Village for 50 kopecks for the whole day, sure that he will be washed, given a clean pink or yellow apron to wear, and his whole day supervised by experts. He will be fed a noon meal and given a nap afterwards, with a drink of milk or chocolate at 5 o'clock.

On the wide verandas built atop the buildings flanking a river front-parkway, I passed dozens of workers lounging in deck chairs reading, chatting, or just resting. They had a magnificent view of the river, and the swimming park across the way.

Some of Russia's greatest modern artists have collaborated in the graphic exhibits in the huge auditorium devoted to Russia's progress on the Five-Year-Plan. Each exhibit uses its own material: a cross-section of a coal bed shows new and safe methods of mining in the Don-Bas region, with the present progress illustrated by small and large buckets of coal showing the rate of increased production set for the next two years. The Dnieprostal Dam is here in miniature, showing nine floodgates and the factories going up in the vicinity.

If you were a Moscow working-man you would find yourself drawn to this park like a magnet for your evening leisure. Thousands eat supper here. One night we had supper there—a bowl of cabbage soup, a piece of meat and kasha, ten and black bread.

After working hours, when great electric lights illuminate the park, crowds of boys and girls pour through the gates. Circles are formed for dancing, about 50 join hands, and volunteers step into the circle and show the crowd new steps, which they then dance to the music of an accordion player who sits in the centre. There is much laughing and shouting.

Ballroom dancing is considered bourgeois in Russia and frowned upon.

In the centre of this great sports park community singing drew us one night. On a platform against a canvas back a man played the piano and a robust, tawny-haired Komsomol (young Communist) girl of about 20 stood directing the singing. She waved her brown hands with the force and assurance of an orchestra leader wielding a baton. Two young girls held up a scroll that showed the words to this new revolutionary song. The girl leader sang and called on the crowd to follow her.

We passed a rapt group on the porch of a big assembly hall. They were intent on the words of a young lecturer. In neat Russian blouse. He was lecturing on mathematics! On the balcony of this auditorium we passed several tables of students studying foreign languages, each with a teacher. Six were learning English, the seventh German.

If you lived in Russia you would find Russia has some superb films, but the emphasis is always upon the play and not the player. The same rule applies to the legitimate.

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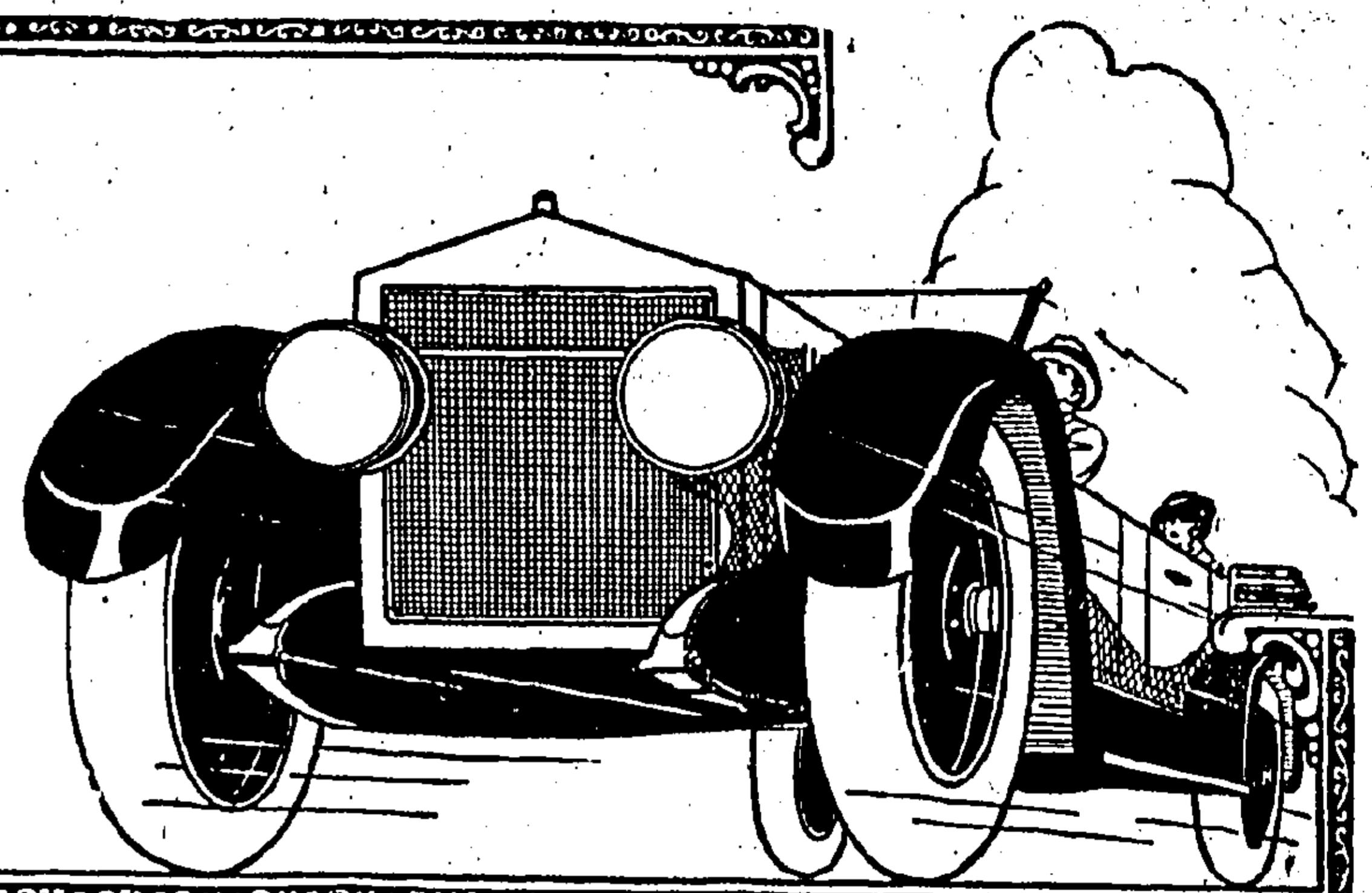
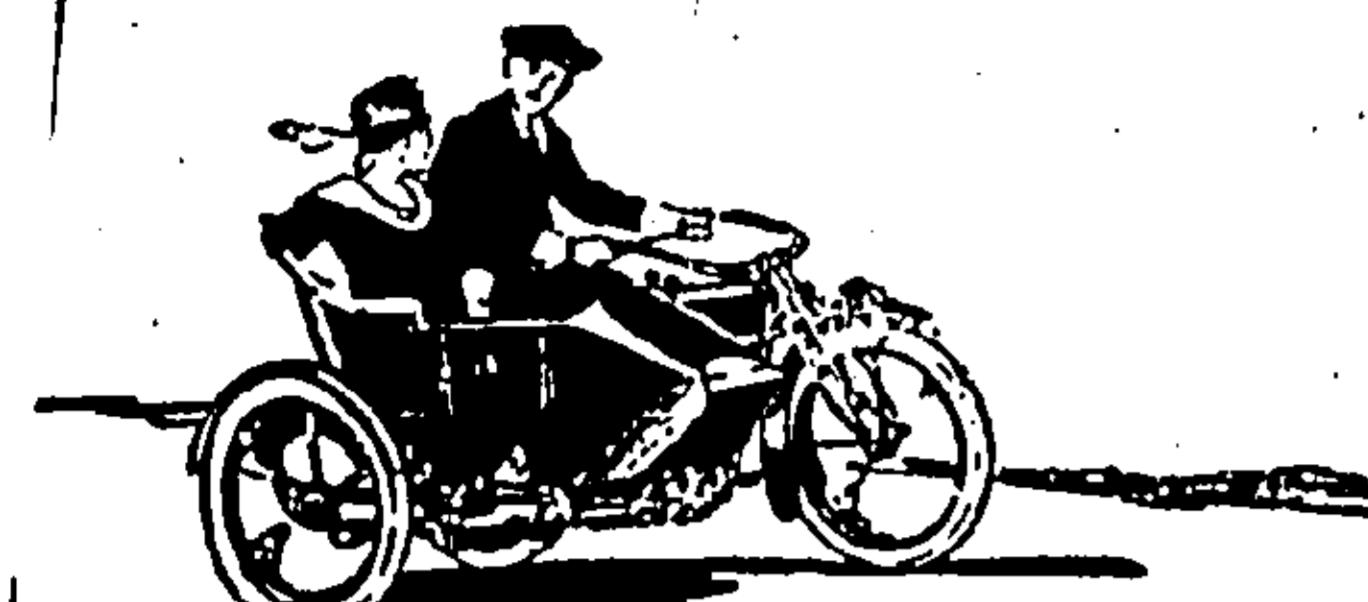
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GEARLESS OMNIBUS.

Smooth-Running and Silent.

The gearless motor-omnibus has arrived. It created a sensation among visitors to the Commercial Transport Show at Olympia, W., recently.

This surprising vehicle is built by Leylands, who for two years have been experimenting with devices such as self-changing gears and fluid fly-wheels.

I was a passenger with others, says a correspondent, on a trial run in the omnibus through London's busiest thoroughfares. The route included a number of steep inclines, and the driver purposely allowed his vehicle to run backwards. Then he just touched the accelerator pedal and brought the omnibus to a stop, but without the slightest jolting. A further depression of the pedal and we were moving forward ever so smoothly.

Each movement was noiseless, there was a complete absence of jolting, and the operations for the driver were effortless. He had no clutch to operate, no gears to change, only one simple movement of a lever.

We were held up in traffic. The driver braked and pushed his lever forward. When the traffic was released he simply accelerated, pulled back the lever, and once more we gathered speed.

CAR COLOURS.

A Bright Future is Predicted.

EXPERTS' VIEW.

Detroit, Oct. 28. Colour is to run rampant over the automobiles of the near future, splash over the fenders and make cars much more the creations of bright hues than the orthodox black which has so long ruled. Such is the gist of opinions expressed by automotive paint experts here.

Discussion of improved automobile finishes has brought to light a rust-resistant fender enamel, lacquer with better chalk-resisting properties and increased resistance of colour finishes to chipping from stones thrown up by tyres.

A decrease in the cost of producing these finishes will enable the finishing of bodies and chassis with greater ease and in more colours, it is said.

As a result of these improvements, designers are already directing their attention to the possibility of having coloured fenders and, therefore, producing a more striking automobile than has met the eyes of buyers heretofore.

The coloured finishes on the fenders will be as durable, they say, as the enamel now being applied.

GROWING TRADE.

British Cars in South Africa.

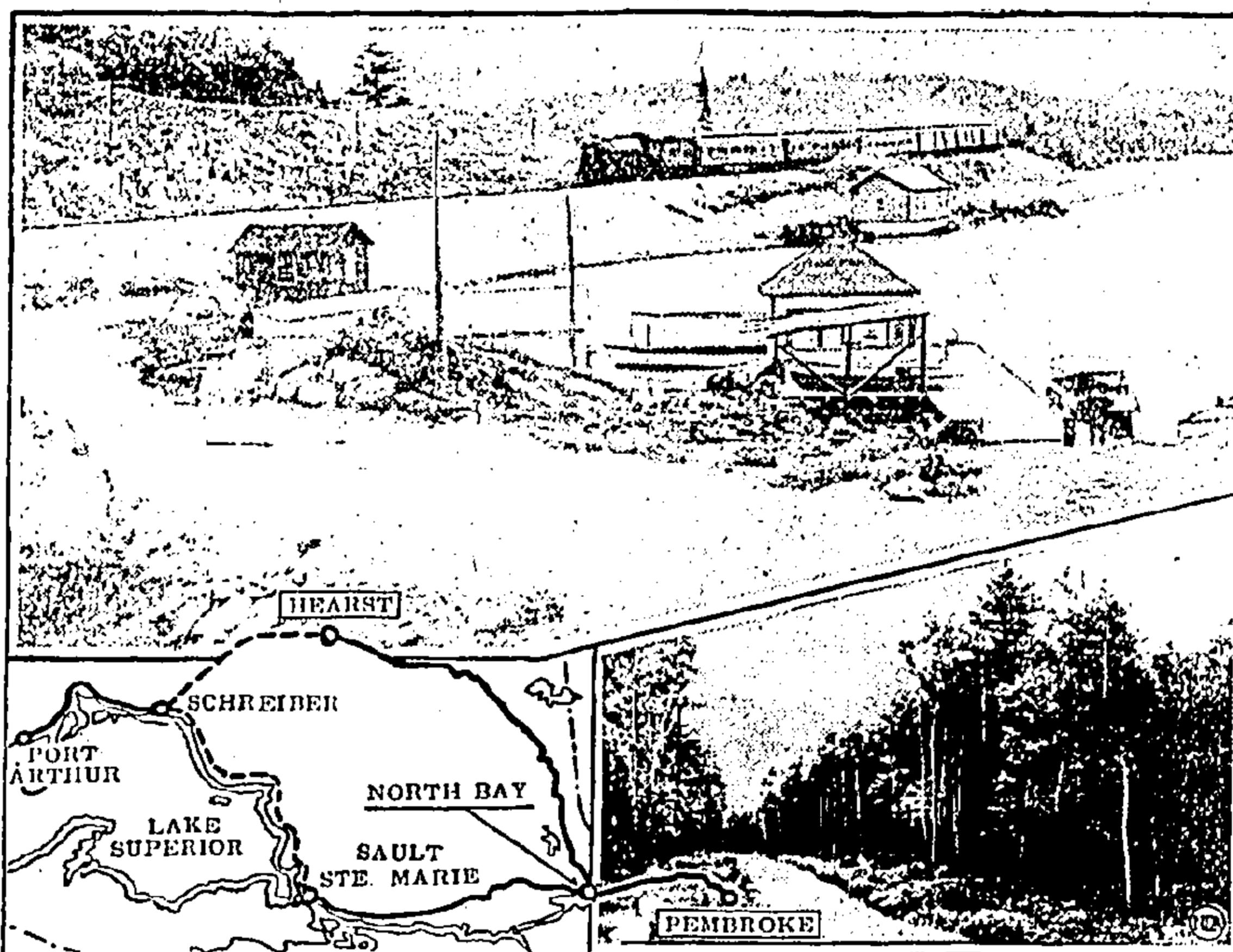
In a report on economic conditions in South Africa Mr. N. Elmistic, H. M. Trade Commissioner in South Africa, states that the outstanding feature is the welcome increase in the percentage of import trade enjoyed by the United Kingdom in 1930 and maintained throughout the first quarter of 1931.

Unfortunately, this is not due to definite gain over competitors, but to heavier fall in the value of imports in classes not normally supplied by Britain.

Foreign competition has not altered greatly in character or extent, except in the case of Japan, which has greatly increased her trade in both volume and range, and is now supplying an increasing variety of goods of a quality which appears to suit the market's requirements and at prices which no European country appears to be able to approach.

In the heavy decline in the import of motor-cars, while the American imports fell off 64 per cent., those from the United Kingdom fell only 16 per cent.

CANADA'S WONDERFUL MOTORING TOURS.



What tourists see on Canada's most northerly highway. At top a typical centre of civilization near Timagami. Right, below, a cut through the bush. At left, map shows the route to be finished.

Toronto, Ont., Oct. 28.

Tourists with ambitions to see

the untouched wilderness, will wend

their way to Ontario and strike

north to the regions above Lake

Superior where the last sections

of the trans-Canada motor high-

way are now being cut out of the

virgin bush.

They will see bush and lake

and rock, while the wild life of

the district will scurry across the

road: Indians, prospectors and

a few section hands are the only

inhabitants of this region.

For a number of years agitation

has been strong in Canada for

an all-Canadian highway

which will cross the continent.

Gradually the provinces have built

highways and joined them at their boundaries.

From the winding valleys of

the maritime provinces with the

Atlantic ocean on one side the

road winds through picturesque

Gaspé into French-Canadian Quebec.

It strikes through industrial

Ontario, goes north and is blocked

by the virgin bush which is today

as it was when the first explorers

saw it.

A few stretches in northern Ontario are uncut, and the

next stage is at the Ontario-Manitoba boundary. From here across

the prairies to the Rocky Moun-

tains and by a varied system of

mountain highways the road

slopes down to Vancouver and the

shores of the Pacific.

To Help Unemployed.

All these sections now co-ordi-

nate or practically do so. The

finishing touches are being added.

The great gap in northern On-

tario has at last been tackled as

part of the unemployment relief

programme of the Dominion

government.

Along the Ottawa river lies

Pembroke. Here the start was

made this year, and the old road

which leads to North Bay is being

improved and new sections added

to cut the distance between the

two cities. Twenty-five camps

with about 100 men in each have

been established to complete the

road over this section.

From the western part of On-

tario a road has been mapped

from Kenora via Port Arthur and

Fort William to Schreiber on the

north shore of Lake Superior.

Thirty-six camps will be occupied

on this stretch with 100 in each.

Choice of Two Routes.

From Schreiber east the road is

as yet unplanned. It may follow

Lake Superior to Sault Ste.

Marie, or it may go north to join

the highway completed as far as

Hearst. Perhaps both sections

will be built. Surveyors, engi-

neers and aerial photographers are

now at work to establish the best

route through this uninhabited re-

gion.

Building this road has its diffi-

culties. Close grown trees of all

sizes have to be felled. The brush

has to be burned and kept under

control lest it start a forest fire

which will sweep through the tin-

der-dry bush. Aeroplanes fly over-

head as the scrub is being burned

to rush aid if a fire starts.

With the trees down, the

stumps have to be dynamited.

That means plenty of filling.

How long it will take to com-

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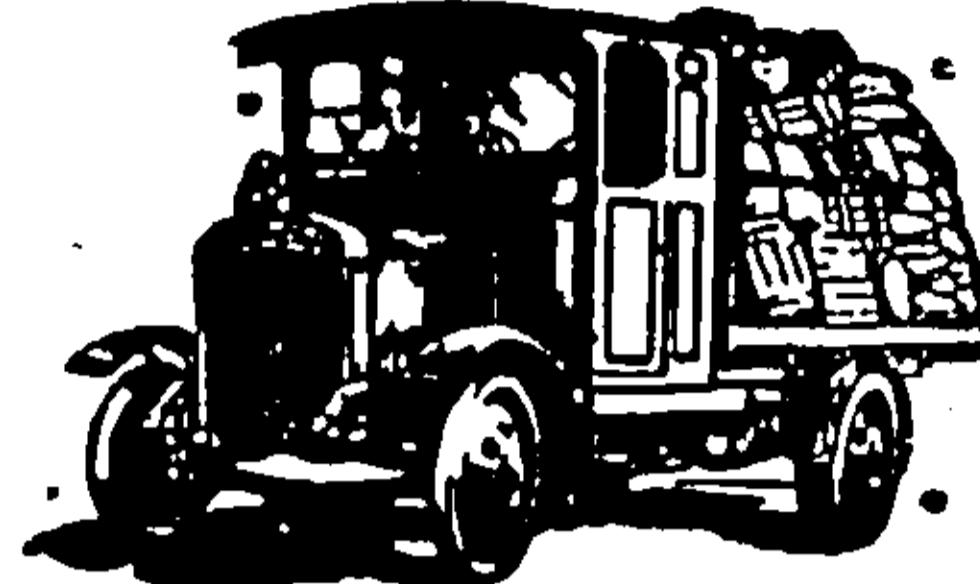
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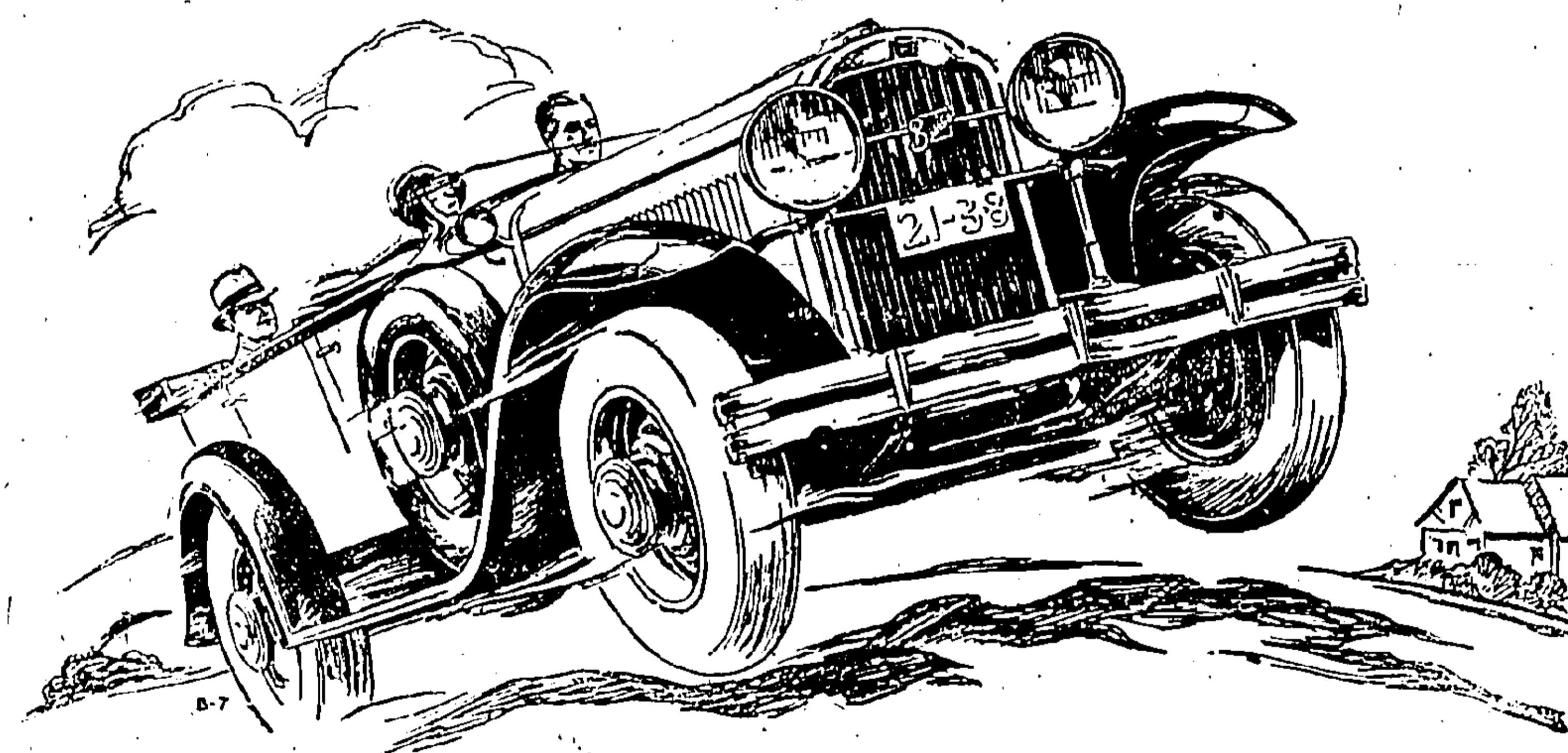
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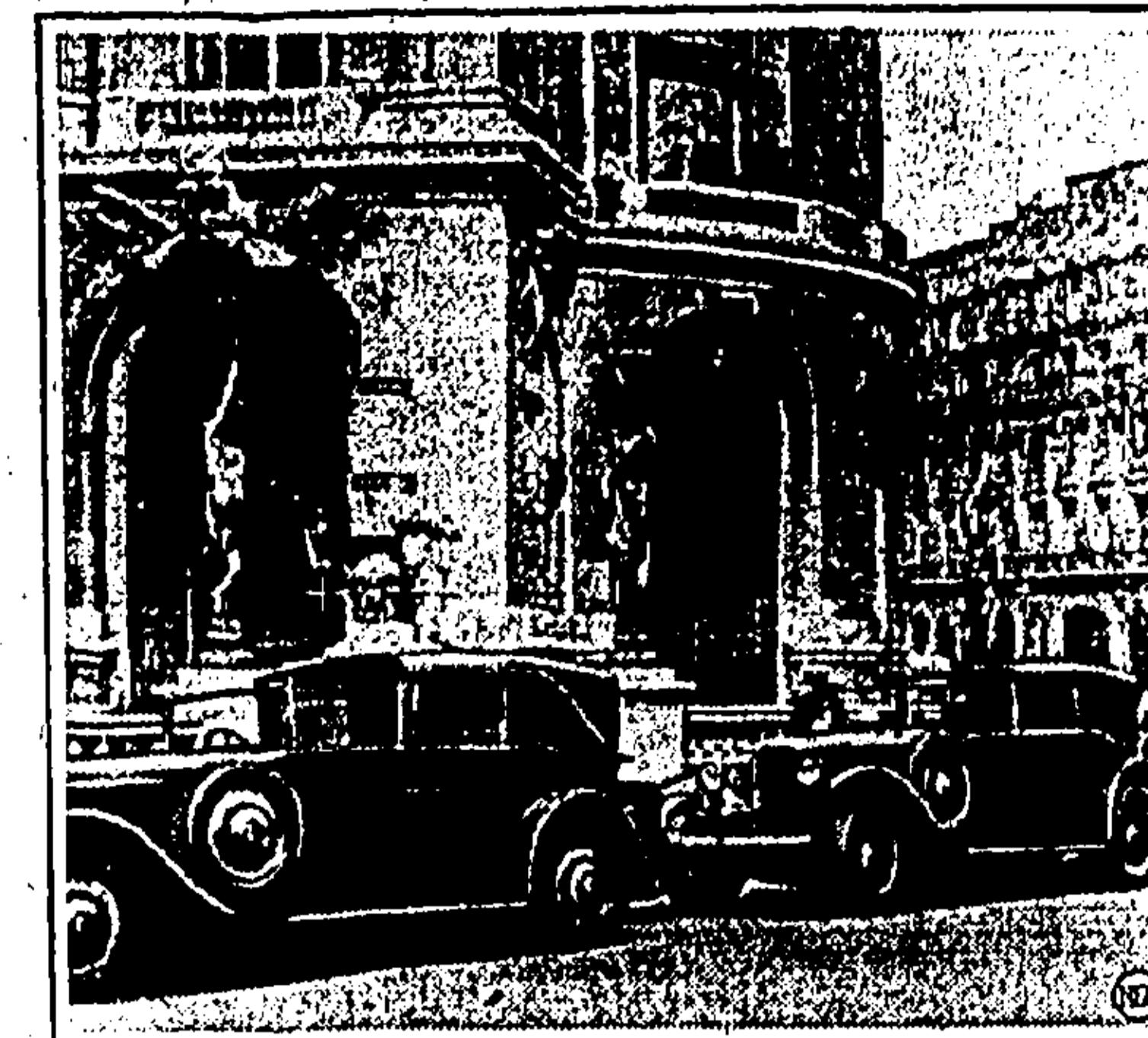
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Paris, Nov. 3.
As well as Paris is known in the world over for its darting, death-defying taxicabs, there is another form of taxi which this city might claim as peculiarly exclusive to itself.

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Paris is usually the starting point of a European tour. The rich American, Englishman or German who would "do" Europe by motor goes to the Place de l'Opera and takes his pick of the line of cars.

Sometimes the driver brings along his dress clothes and acts as social companion to his customer.

But while he acts as "guest" he hires someone else to drive the car.

In some cases, also, when elderly women tour Europe with their daughters, the driver is asked to act as escort to restaurants, theatres and night clubs.

The ranks of these drivers are full of ex nobility, soldiers of fortune, members of the old Russian aristocracy and retired naval and army officers. These men realize a tidy salary from their occupation, as well as contact with an entertainment by some of the most influential business men in the world.

Rates for hiring these luxurious cars have been standardized at 18 cents a mile. In addition to this charge, there is a charge of \$3 a day for hotel expenses for the driver, and the cost of garaging and washing the car.

This rate prevails in France only. In other countries the rate is about 22 cents a mile and \$4 to \$5 a day expense money for the driver.

Fluctuation of gasoline prices in European countries sometimes makes these rates a gamble for the drivers, but they generally finish with a profit. Garage rent, too, eats big slice out of their income, as a large car can rarely be housed for less than \$150 a year.

It's a Costly Business.

After the driver has bought his expensive car, which most of them do second-hand, his big expense is the upkeep. This item, however, is figured in the rates charged.

After an owner-driver has been on the road for two or three seasons, he acquires an international reputation. His past customers tell their friends about his good services, and they call on him when ever they get to Paris.

All is not peaches and cream for the driver, however. One fare he sooner might turn out to be a human customer and treat him as an equal. On the other hand, another may treat him as one who must be tolerated and beneath notice.

In the latter case the trip generally proves a disappointment for all concerned.

MOTOR SHOW.

Appeal of the Small Car.

NEW MODELS.

(By H. Thornton Rutter.)

This is a wider choice at the present Motor Show for those in search of a small car rated at less than 9 h.p. than at any previous exhibition, and a dozen manufacturers have entered for this market.

Even since the Austin Baby Seven proved itself a thoroughly useful vehicle, the public realised that the small car was not as uncomfortable as they thought it must be from its diminutive size. The present small cars are really only small chassis with large coachwork, this year considerable improvements have been made by every maker in their coachwork designs.

Three entirely new models are introduced by the M.G. Car Co. Ltd., one of Sir William Morris' enterprises. M.G.'s have been particularly successful in the world of sport during the past season, so visitors to this stand take great interest in the 8.85 h.p. M.G. Midget Occasional Four. The chassis is of entirely new design, being similar to the famous Montlhery Mark II.

It's a four seater open body, green panels, green leather upholstery and green wheels and wings make an attractive sports four-seater. There are two other M.G. Midgets shown on the stand, together with three models of the six-cylinder M.G.'s. The largest of these is the 18-20 h.p. M.G. 6-cylinder Sports Mark II saloon de luxe, finished in black and cream, with brown leather upholstery, sliding roof and novel type of running boards.

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Morris Minor.

The 8 h.p. Morris Minor can be seen in all its glory of an exhibition polished chassis, also as a two-seater and a coach-built saloon with sliding head.

This year all these Morris Minors have a side-valved engine and a new radiator, which gives them quite a fresh appearance. The petrol tank has been carried to the rear, while the coachwork has more room, with wider doors and winding windows, glazed with Triplex non-shattering glass.

An addition to this range is a new Morris "Family Eight." This is a new model coming between the Morris Minor and the Morris Cowley. It also has a four-cylinder engine and is fitted with Lockheed hydraulic brakes, in order that its powers of high speed may be well controlled.

This, by the way, is an overhead valved engine. The coachwork is finished in blue cellulose, with brown Karhdye upholstery.

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There is also a Singer Junior special saloon, whose four-cylinder

engine is rated at 8.8 h.p. built on similar lines, has plow safety glass throughout its saloon coachwork, leather upholstery, special buffers front and rear, besides a flush fitting roof and bright chromulated fittings.

Miss Worsley.

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One of the most economical to run in the baby class is the 7 h.p. two-cylinder Jowett, with horizontally opposed cylinder. The long coachbuilt saloon displayed on this stand, situated in the National Hall, is particularly well fitted. Its rear petrol has an electric gauge, and equipment includes speedometer, clock, electric horn, electric wiper, screen wiper, driving mirror, an excellent coachbuilt body with six windows, sliding roof, a chromium plating. It is finished in blue cellulose with upholstered to match. The coachwork on the Jowett cars is certainly roomy.

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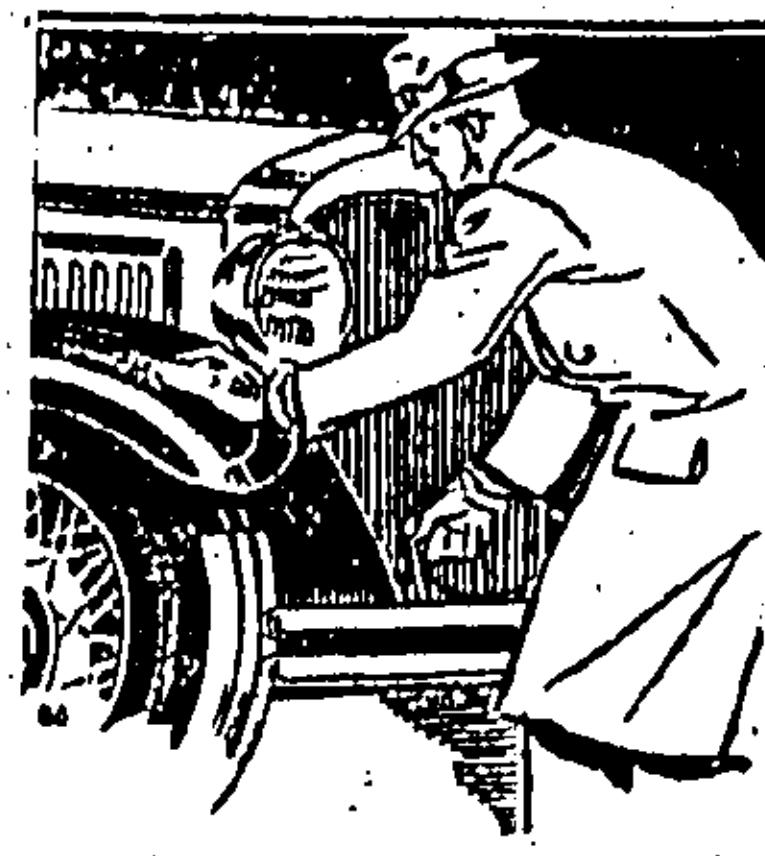


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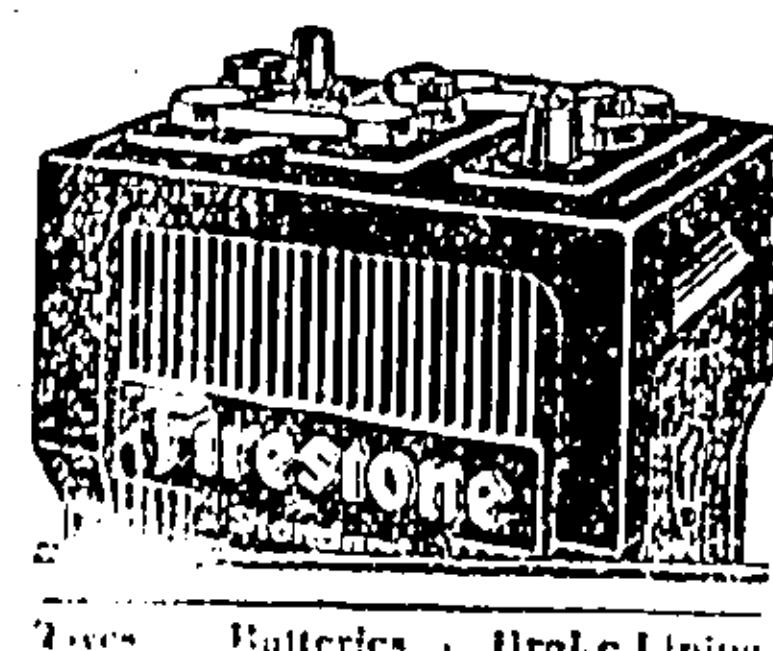
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MOTORISTS' SIGNALS

Substitutes for the Hand.

THE NEW LIGHTS.

By H. Thornton Rutter.

Owners of motor vehicles to-day will greatly help to make our roads better able to carry the ever-increasing traffic by giving and obeying signals. At the present time our towns and cities are increasing automatic light signals. The reason for this, in the first instance, is to release a number of police who are compelled to do duty as traffic regulating officers. These men are wanted for other police duties.

Light signals speed up the traffic according to Mr. Pybus, Minister of Transport. Replying to a question in the House of Commons recently, he said that during the more congested afternoon hours the increase in average speeds in Oxford-street, W., was 90 per cent., owing to the present (red, yellow and green) automatic lighting traffic signals.

This represented a saving on time on each journey (up or down this street) of nearly eight minutes. From this experience it was now proposed to recommend other areas to "look into" the advantages of traffic light signals and decide whether to adopt them.

Facts of this character given by a Minister of the Crown cannot be lightly ignored. Therefore, it behoves motorists to obey signals promptly, and also give them equally clearly and definitely when they are going to alter their speed, stop, or change their direction by turning right or left.

Direction Indicators.

Hand signals are the common method used by drivers for drawing attention of other users of the King's Highway of intention on the signaller's part to do something. It was noticed by visitors to the motor show in London that some cars in that exhibition were fitted with electrical and mechanical signalling devices to be used in place of the hand and arm of the driver. These devices in various forms give definite signals as to the intention of the driver.

With due deference to all motorists, there is a general complaint that many signals are not definite; hence, they are sometimes the cause of accidents.

THE COMMERCIAL MOTOR TRANSPORT EXHIBITION.

Some of the Goods Carriers.

THORNYCROFT'S INGENIOUS FEATURE.

[Special Report to the Hongkong Telegraph by R.A.C.J. (Part I).]

This year's Commercial Motor Transport Exhibition is the tenth of the series organised by the Society of Motor Manufacturers & Traders and, owing to the greater accommodation available at Olympia since the last show in 1929, it represents a wider range of exhibits than any of its predecessors. To the mechanically minded the Exhibition is intensely interesting, for the development in chassis layouts, transmission and engines in the last two years have been really phenomenal.

Dealing in the first place with goods carrying vehicles, it is at once obvious that the tendency is towards higher average road speeds rather than higher maximum speeds. Engines are larger and more powerful, size for size, than ever before. There has, too, been great strides made towards increasing the payload capacity and a number of vehicles are to be found with the front axle set back so that it can take more share of the load. This arrangement also has the advantage of making the engine very accessible and reducing the wheelbase, with the result that the vehicle is easier to manoeuvre in confined spaces.

The 6-cylinder engine has made still further headway recently and practically all the leading manufacturers are showing a heavy oil engine. It affords some indication of the range of the exhibits at this show when it is said that there are vehicles of carrying capacity from 5-cwt. to 17 tons.

Useful Classes.

An extremely ingenious feature of a Thornycroft 2½-ton platform lorry shown is a roller floor to facilitate handling the load. This consists of an endless conveyor belt made of rubber with roller mechanism, at each end, by this means unloading can be done in a very expeditious manner. This particular model is intended for fast delivery work and is fitted with a 50 m.p.h. 6-cylinder engine, giving a high average road speed.

Refinement in Goods Carriers.

An excellent example of the standard of refinement to which the modern goods carrying vehicle has attained is to be found in the recently introduced Leyland Cub, of which there are two types, the standard long wheelbase and the forward control. Both have a 6-cylinder engine with a 7-bearing crankshaft, hydraulic 4-wheel brakes, Bishop cam and roller steering, a full floating type of rear axle and a Still tube radiator.

The new 5½-ton Dennis is noteworthy for a number of reasons, including the matter of price as it sells at a chassis at £555. It possesses a 4-cylinder engine of 30 m.p.h. 'A.C. rating, with high efficiency induction pipe and special turbulent head. The tubular propeller shaft is in two sections with oil-tight all-metal universal joints, torsion-damped vibration damper and intermediate bearing supported on Silentloc bushes. Other very advanced features of this model are hydraulic-cum-servo braking, low frame height of 25 in. and an all-steel cab accommodating driver and mate, which represents a very considerable saving in weight.

A Big Order for Overseas.

There is a very heartening notice upon the Albion stand to the effect that the Government of India has just placed an order for 116 30-cwt. chassis with this Scottish firm. It may be remembered that the same authority purchased no less than 232 rigid 6-wheel Albions less than two years ago.

The over-type design has enabled the Albion Co. to produce a genuine 6-tonner, which easily complies with the laws relating to axle and gross laden weights, and, as this machine was designed from the outset as an over-type model and not adapted from a bonnet type, a commendably high degree of accessibility has been achieved. The 35/70 h.p. engine, gearbox, transmission and brakes are generally similar to those employed on other heavy Albion models. They have built up a reputation as sound, simple units, easy to maintain, and having an adequate reserve of strength.

Two of the exhibits on Hardy Motors' stand are of particular interest to Overseas users—a 6-wheel-drive tractor and a rigid 6-wheeler with 2-ton capacity and trailer. Both these vehicles possess great capabilities for dealing with heavy loads on soft ground or over bad roads.

The tractor is shown in chassis form with the wheels blocked up to

allow shifting of gears and provides quiet operation in second gear. The free wheeling unit permits coasting, thus reducing petrol and oil consumption; and saves engine wear thus prolonging car-life.

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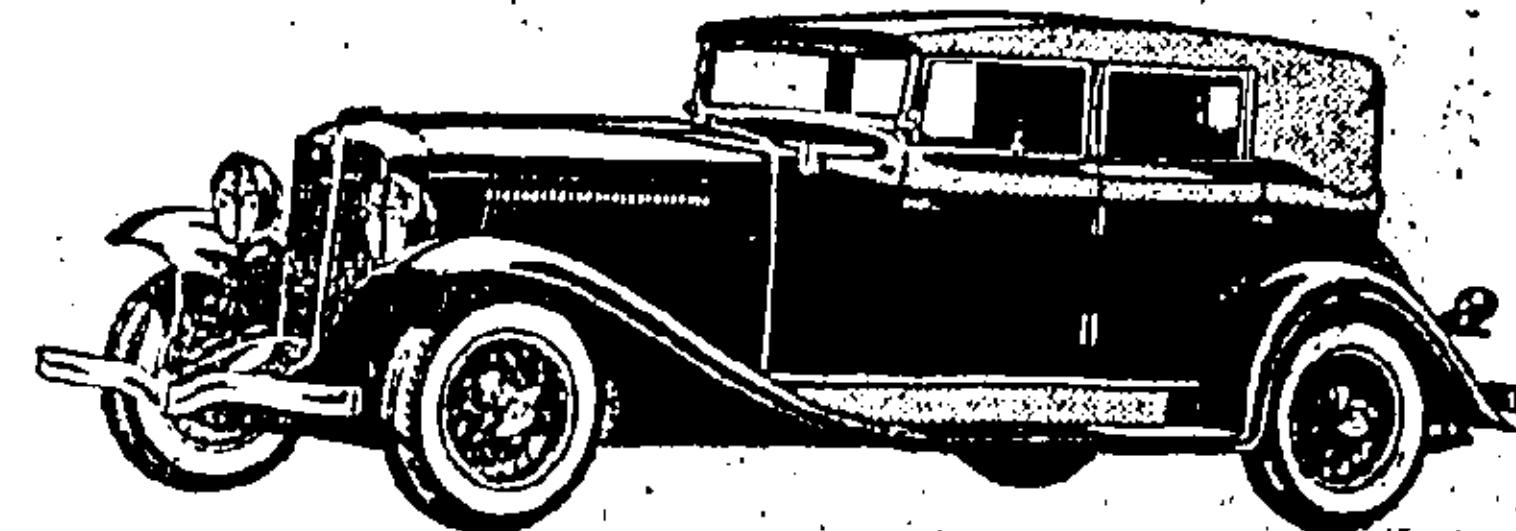
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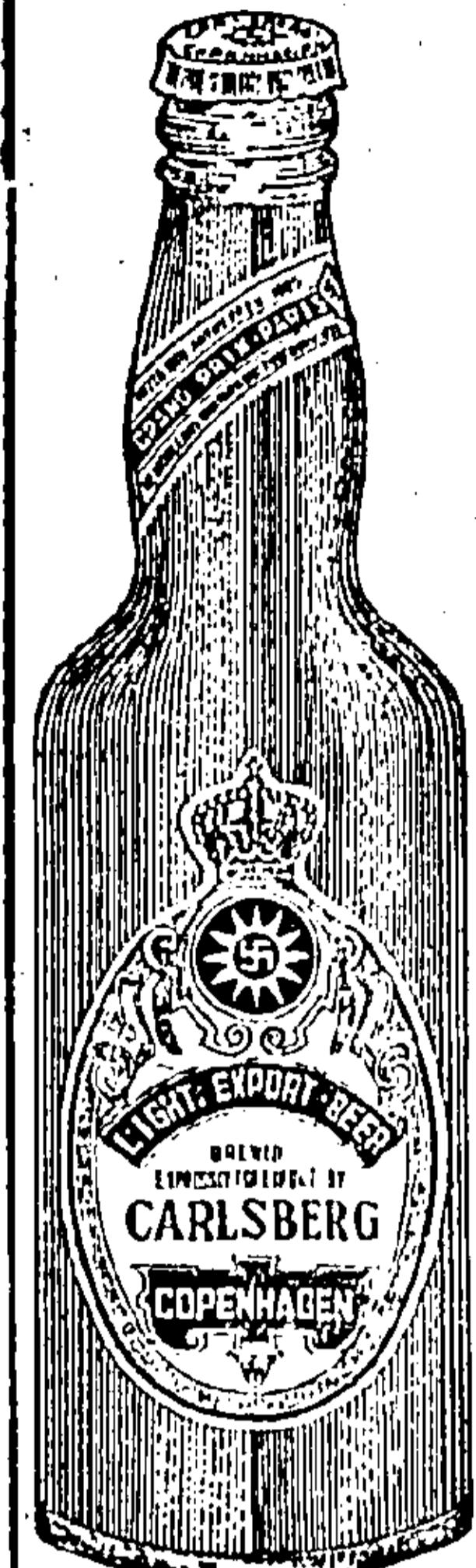
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MASQUERADED AS A WOMAN.

A MAN "FEMININE IN OUTLOOK."

A man whom a doctor described as "feminine in his outlook and mentally" and who, according to another doctor, had worn women's attire "to gratify his male-bred that he was a female," appeared at Liverpool Assizes on Nov. 14. Counsel said to the judge: "At the moment he is in women's clothes, and, in order not to prejudice himself, I ask that he should appear in the dock in man's clothing."

Mr. Justice Talbot decided that the jury ought to see him as he was dressed at the time, and said that at the conclusion of the case for the prosecution he could change into men's clothes.

The defendant, Augustine Joseph Hull (21), haulage hand, of St. Helen's, then appeared in the dock wearing an ankle-length black lace gown, over which was an imitation leopard skin coat with fur trimmings. He also wore black stockings, black shoes, and carried black evening bags.

Mr. Maxwell Fyfe, prosecuting, said an amazing feature of the case was that Hull posed as a woman for six months. He deceived many people who let lodgings to him, and also a young man, named George Burrows, into believing that he was a woman. For some time Burrows and Hull passed as man and wife.

Treated Like a Girl.

At the end of the evidence for the prosecution Hull changed into a light grey suit.

He went into the witness box and emphatically denied that there had ever been any acts of indecency.

He declared that when at home he was treated like a girl. "I used to do housework and scrub floors," he said, "and I have taken girls' parts in theatrical shows. I used to play, until I was six years of age, with girlish toys."

Asked why he wore women's clothing, he replied, "If I dressed in men's clothing I would be taken for a woman."

Counsel: Do you like wearing women's clothes?—I do.

It gratifies you?—Yes.

When you were arrested at Blackpool you had a handbag with a powder puff and rouge in it?—Yes.

What is the rouge for?—For the

DEAN INGE ON MARRIAGE.

SANCTITY OF THE FAMILY.

Dean Inge recently told an audience of schoolboys that there were four fortresses which, he thought, we should have to defend against all comers. They were: Religion, Patriotism, Liberty, The Family.

The Dean was distributing the prizes at Whitgift School, Croydon. "If there are any desperate Bolsheviks among you," he said, to the boys, "I hope they will forgive me, but I must really say what I believe myself."

Patriotism, he said, might need to be purified but it certainly ought not to be discarded. Of Liberty, he said that no country could be great in which the freedom of the individual had to be sacrificed.

His most important reference was to the Fourth Fortress—the Family.

"On all sides," said the Dean, "we hear marriage denounced as being an exploded anachronism and all kinds of nonsense talked. I do assure you boys that all that is nonsense; that most of you will find that happy marriage is the best thing in human life."

"I am sure," he added, "that no country was ever prosperous and strong in which the sanctity of family life and the value of personal purity were not upheld and practised."

Referring to the possible decline of public schools, Dean Inge said: "The families which used to support those schools are being deliberately taxed out of existence and I do not see how they can survive for more than one generation more."

lips.

Do you do that because it pleases you?—Yes.

Re-examined, Hull said that when he dressed as a man and went to a Labour Exchange at St. Helen's he was followed by detectives, and men at the Labour Ex-

change stared at him.

Dr. Higson, resident medical officer at Walton Gaol, said that he had come to the conclusion that Hull was not a moral pervert. He was living in a state of phantasy, and wore the women's clothes to gratify his male-bred that he was a female.

On being sentenced to 18 months hard labour Hull burst into tears and then fainted.

TAXIMAN'S DEATH RIDDLE.

RICH ENGLISHMAN'S SON CHARGED.

Capetown, Nov. 6. The trial was resumed at Pietermaritzburg (Natal) to-day of Richard Louis Mallalieu, aged 21, accused to be the son of a rich Oldham cotton manufacturer, and Miss Gwendoline Mary Tolputt, the 23-year-old daughter of a Graaff Reinet doctor, and a well-known ballroom dancer.

They are charged with the murder of a taxi-driver, Arthur Kimber, whose body was found on Sept. 21, eight miles from Pietermaritzburg.

His cab was abandoned six miles away.

Kimber is alleged to have answered a call at the rank telephone box and a few minutes later a man and a woman came out of another telephone box near by and entered his taxi-cab. That was the last time Kimber was seen alive.

A witness named Edward Ollif stated that in the telephone box he saw a woman light a cigarette, and in the light of the match he noticed that she was wearing a reddish yellow dress and a coat.

Scarlet Lips.

Her face was highly coloured, and her lips were scarlet. The cab drove away and nobody was left behind.

On Oct. 20, Ollif stated he picked out a woman at an identification parade resembling the one he had seen in the street, except that her hair was darker.

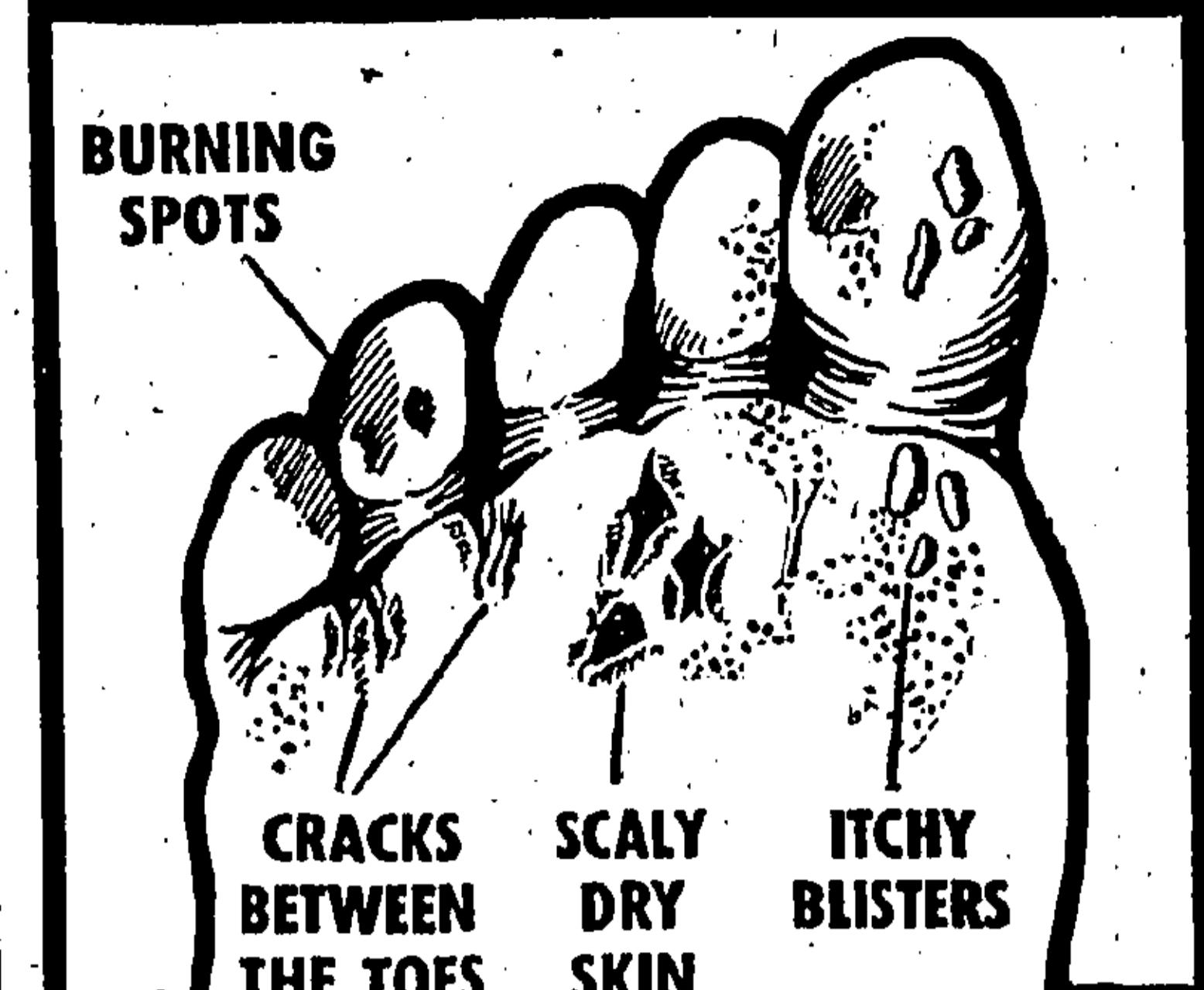
Two women were paraded, and they did not know which to pick out, but decided on the dark-haired woman because she began to bite her lips.

Edda Slude, proprietress of a Pietermaritzburg hotel, said the couple booked a double room in the name of Phillips on Sept. 18, and on the morning of Sept. 21 they said they were leaving by the night train and went out.

At 8.30 p.m., when the account was sent up, the couple were absent, said witness, and their luggage was stacked as if for their departure next morning. The woman confided that she was in a delicate state of health.

An Indian porter stated that the room was empty at nine o'clock, but at ten o'clock the woman, dressed in a night-dress, opened the door and said they were not leaving until the morning.—Exchange.

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"MISS HOOK OF HOLLAND."**BRIGHT PRODUCTION STAGED.****OPENING SHOW.**

In its endeavours to impart some fresh blood into its ranks, the Hongkong Philharmonic Society made a wise move when it came to the casting of "Miss Hook of Holland," and that is why, more than anything else, the Theatre Royal curtain dropped last night on a performance that can easily be added to the Society's roll of creditable successes. While it is not either brilliant or merry jest or tuneful melodies, "Miss Hook" is a light, inconsequential little thing, that comes well within the grasp of an amateur company.

"Miss Hook," however, cannot be classed exactly as a happy choice of play. Musical comedy plots are never expected to be strong, but the story of a missing liquor recipe that strings a couple of romances together is a little too flimsy to compensate for the none-too brilliant libretto and paucity of catchy airs. It was an acid test on the Society's hand of players and on the whole they managed to emerge creditably.

Producer's Task.

Of all the tasks that had to be tackled manfully, none was more difficult than the one that confronted the producer, Mr. W. Robertson. He has a plot that reluctantly unfolds itself and a very much prolonged introduction of principals with little in the way of libretto to assist him, while towards the end all the broken threads that have been waving round in the breeze for two acts, are hastily gathered together and crammed in. "Any old how" it would appear, just to fit in with the finale. Mr. Robertson did his best to expedite some haggling action.

One good touch was the interpolation of some topical references into a few of the musical numbers. Much would have been achieved if something similar had been added to the libretto, but evidently such licence is impermissible.

Excellent Couple.

In Doris Bielby and Reginald Anderson, the Society found an admirable pair to carry the romantic interest. Mrs. Bielby brought into play the tuneful soprano that made her rendering of Kite in "Yeomen" such a success, and was perfectly at home in a conventional musical comedy leading lady role. Reginald Anderson, making his bow to Hongkong audiences, proves a lucky find, as he has all the attributes of the juvenile lead, an excellent stage presence and is a robust tenor. His rollicking moments were more convincing than his romantic passages. In solo work this pair answered every call, and their voices blended well in duets.

In a part that called for restraint, G. W. McLeod stood out as old Mr. Hook. His was practically the only role that called for anything in the way of characterisation, and he made an artistic job of it. V. C. Lubrum struggled valiantly with the barren libretto that had to serve him as the chief dispenser of quips, and if anything could have been obtained from the role of Simon Slinks, he managed it. Side by side with him was S. A. Sweet whose artistry was a triumph of sustained mute eloquence. They need not be easy matters, these dumb roles.

Other Characters.

Tom Rowell had past experience to help him in the colourless part of the distillery's foreman, and breezed in and off the stage in the approved style. He made a capital job of his song, Anne Moodie helped the plot along with a couple of numbers in a tuneful voice, in similar comfortable style.

Frank Skinner looked well as an Artillery Captain but made hard work of his song, and Judy Court made an all-too-brief appearance as Gretchen. She had a dainty little song and was most promising.

Among the smaller parts Ralph Spenceley was a jovial policeman, R. E. Pugh, an artillerist, Tilly Strange and Bessie Hirst, girls at the distillery, and Rita Cole, an old market woman.

The Orchestra.

Mr. J. L. Geeks wielded a capable baton over an orchestra that only on a few occasions was at variance with the chorus. That band of helpers incidentally attained a good standard in the first act, also, a rollicking huzzing number, and also excelled in some bars about cheeses. The unaccompanied male octette in the second act was of similar grade.

As is usual with the Philharmonic, mountings and settings were flawless, and the scenery of Mr. J. H. Hunt and Mr. T. V. Hartman an artistic job, that combined well with the lighting of Mr. W. S. Brewer.

ETON BOYS IN "ARMY MANOEUVRES" IN WINDSOR GREAT PARK.

Our photo shows the Eton College O.T.C. on the march in Windsor Great Park, preparatory to "manoeuvres" on a big scale. The boys were provided with some of the latest military equipment to assist them in their "operations."

IF YOU LIVED IN RUSSIA.*(Continued from Page 8.)*

theatre. There are a dozen legitimate theatres in Moscow alone. Most of the plays are concerned with present-day life.

"Bread," which I saw for a rouble showed how the Communists won the peasants over to contributing their quota of wheat for the city workers. I saw "Pass to Life," the new movie which depicts the story of how the government built a commune to rehabilitate the "bezprizorni" (homeless waifs).

The government runs lotteries and horse races and makes a goodly sum of money from them. In one lottery in which I took a chance for a rouble I stand to win on Jan. 1, 1932, my choice of a pig, an accordion, a pair of men's shoes, a cream separator, an incubator, furniture for three rooms, a bicycle, and two-room apartment in any one of Russia's nine capitals!

One day I attended the horse races; it was rumoured that "Petushok" would run. This little chestnut mare was brought prancing out of the stable, but the track was too heavy to risk running the pride and joy of all Russian horse lovers. So precious is this three-year-old thoroughbred, a product of the old Czarist stables, that her spacious stable is lined with mirrors to keep her proud, and General Budenny, the soldier-hero of all little Russian boys and girls, makes her personal visit about once a week to feed her sugar.

The magnificent old grandstand was half full. Betting ran high. No one occupied the glass-enclosed royal box, which is protected on all sides by corridors where armed guards used to stand. A sign stated that only government, peasant and factory officials are entitled to seats there.

Next—Justice in Soviet Russia. Courts without lawyers, workers as judges.

Dramatis Personae.

Mr. Hook (a widower, a wealthy liquor distiller), G. W. McLeod.

Captain Adrian Paup, of the Mounted Artillery quartered at Arndyk, F. E. Skinner.

Lieutenant De Coop, of the Mounted Artillery quartered at Arndyk, R. E. Pugh.

Bandmaster Van Vuyt, of the Mounted Artillery quartered at Arndyk, C. Reg. Anderson.

Ludwig Schripps, (foreman of distillery), T. R. Rowell.

An Old Policeman, R. S. Spencer.

Van Eek, (a very ordinary Dutchman), S. A. Sweet.

Simon Slinks, (a boaster by the Canal at Arndyk), V. C. Lubrum.

Freda Voor sent to an Orphan School at Amsterdam, Judy Court.

Clara Vaos, sent to an Orphan School at Amsterdam, Tilly Strange.

Gretchen, (manneress at the distillery), Aletha Hirst.

An Old Market Woman, Rita Cole.

Mina, (maid to the Hooks), Anne Moodie.

Sally, (Miss Hook of Holland), Doris Bleby.

Ladies of the Chorus.

Hilda Arnold, Dorothy Baldwin,

Marjorie Bird, Minnie Boas, Edith

Booth, Olive Brewer, Doris Brooks,

Margaret Buchanan, Hilda Crofton,

Olive Dalziel, Sybil Dalziel,

Ethel Farrar, Rhoda Fowler, Joan

Geeks, Bessie Gill, Norah Holmes,

Esther Hooper, Doris Hunt,

Phyllis Hunt, Doris Major, Ellen

McLeod, Constance Mitchell, Mar-

garet Russell, Marjorie Scott,

Dorothy Shaw, Elsa Smith, Muriel

Smith, Ruby Spenceley, Dolly

Starling, Clara Wadmore.

Gentlemen of the Chorus.

J. W. Baldwin, J. Barnet, R. F.

Butes, H. J. Best, A. G. Brewer, D.

Buchanan, C. G. H. Christian, A.

L. Cole, C. D. Cole, C. C. F. Crof-

ton, G. Duncan, Jr., H. J. Foun-

tain, P. J. Guntrip, S. Hill, A. G.

Humphreys, A. C. Jeffreys, R. R.

Matthews, A. M. Mitchell, H. P.

RACE MEETING PROSPECTS.**SITTING BULL FOR MAIN EVENT.****"Ringtail."**

There will be plenty to occupy the minds of racegoers this afternoon when the last race meeting of the 1931 season will be held by the Hongkong Jockey Club.

The Hongkong Autumn Championships is the principal race on the programme, and as the field is a strong one for this event, a fine finish should be seen. On current form, Sitting Bull should win.

With two such well-known runners as the Grouse and Fi Fa engaged in it, the Hongkong Autumn Subscription Griffin Champions looks like providing a race that no sportsman should miss. No matter from what angle you regard it, the race looks to be nothing but a match between these two ponies. They stand head and shoulders above all the other runners and backers have only to decide whether Fi Fa is a better mud puddler than The Grouse to discover the winner.

My selections are:

1st Race.

King's Colour.
Bright Star.
Sunction.

2nd Race.

Daylight Eve.
Crown Prince.
Paul Pry.

3rd Race.

Heliotrope Leaf.
Bronze Eyes.
As You Like It.

4th Race.

Sitting Bull.
Glengarry.
Pride of Tsingtao.

5th Race.

St. Moritz.
Thunderclap.
Rosedrop.

6th Race.

The Grouse.
Fi Fa.
Good Day.

7th Race.

Choctow II.
Celerity.
Sunning.

8th Race.

Imperial Hall.
Orlando.
Mount Elburz.

FOREIGN CHILD MURDERED.**SHANGHAI POLICE INVESTIGATIONS.**

The severed head of a very young child, which has since been proved not to be Chinese, was found in an alleyway off Park Road in Shanghai last week and at the inquest on Thursday an open verdict was returned by the Procurator of the Special District Court. Previously a decapitated body was also found several hundred yards away in another alleyway. Experts are attempting to determine if the two sections were at one time one.

The head has distinct foreign features, such as blue eyes and cheek bones; of the body nothing is specially distinctive. The child may be foreign, possibly of mixed blood, but is thought that it was the unwelcome offspring of an illegal union.

The police in the meanwhile are attempting to ascertain if a two-month old baby has been missing.

The Orcheatran.

Mr. J. L. Geeks wielded a capable

baton over an orchestra that only

on a few occasions was at variance

with the chorus. That band of

helpers incidentally attained a

good standard in the first act,

BELGIAN CONGO REBELLION.**RIVER STEAMERS UNDER FIRE.**

A rebellion of natives in the Belgian Congo is spreading steadily, according to an official announcement from Brussels. It was stated that the tribes along the left bank of the Sankuru are in open revolt and that all river steamers are constantly being subjected to rifle fire. The announcement adds that the authorities are taking all necessary steps to crush the rebellion.

Those Eyes.
Fox Trot-The Barnard's Song, CB121.
Fox Trot-Give me Back my Heart, CB14.
Fox Trot-Beware of Love, CB15.
Waltz-Little Russian, CB159.

Waltz-When I Passed the Old Church Door, CB96.

10.30 p.m. Rugby Rugby mid-day press news.

11.00 p.m. Close down.

All records in the above European programmes are kindly supplied by Messrs. Anderson Music Co.

SUNDAY'S PROGRAMME.

11.00-12.15 p.m. Relay of Service from Union Church, Kennedy Road.

Preacher-The Rev. Frank Short.

Order of Service.

Vocal.

Hymn-Give to our God Immortal Praise.

Investiture and Lord's Prayer.

Hymn-O Jesus King Most Wonderful.

Scripture Reading.

Hymn-Hark! the Glad Sound Our Saviour Comes.

Prayer.

Offertory.

Offertory Prayer.

Hymn-From Greenland's icy Mountains.

Address-New Territory Evangelistic Work.

Hymn-Thou Who's Almighty Word.

National Anthem.

Benediction.

Vocal.

Chinese programme.

1.00 p.m. Local time and weather report.

2.00 p.m. Close down.

8.00-10.00 p.m. European programme.

8.00 p.m. Local time and weather report.

8.04-8.30 p.m. Programme of Victor records.

Orchestral.

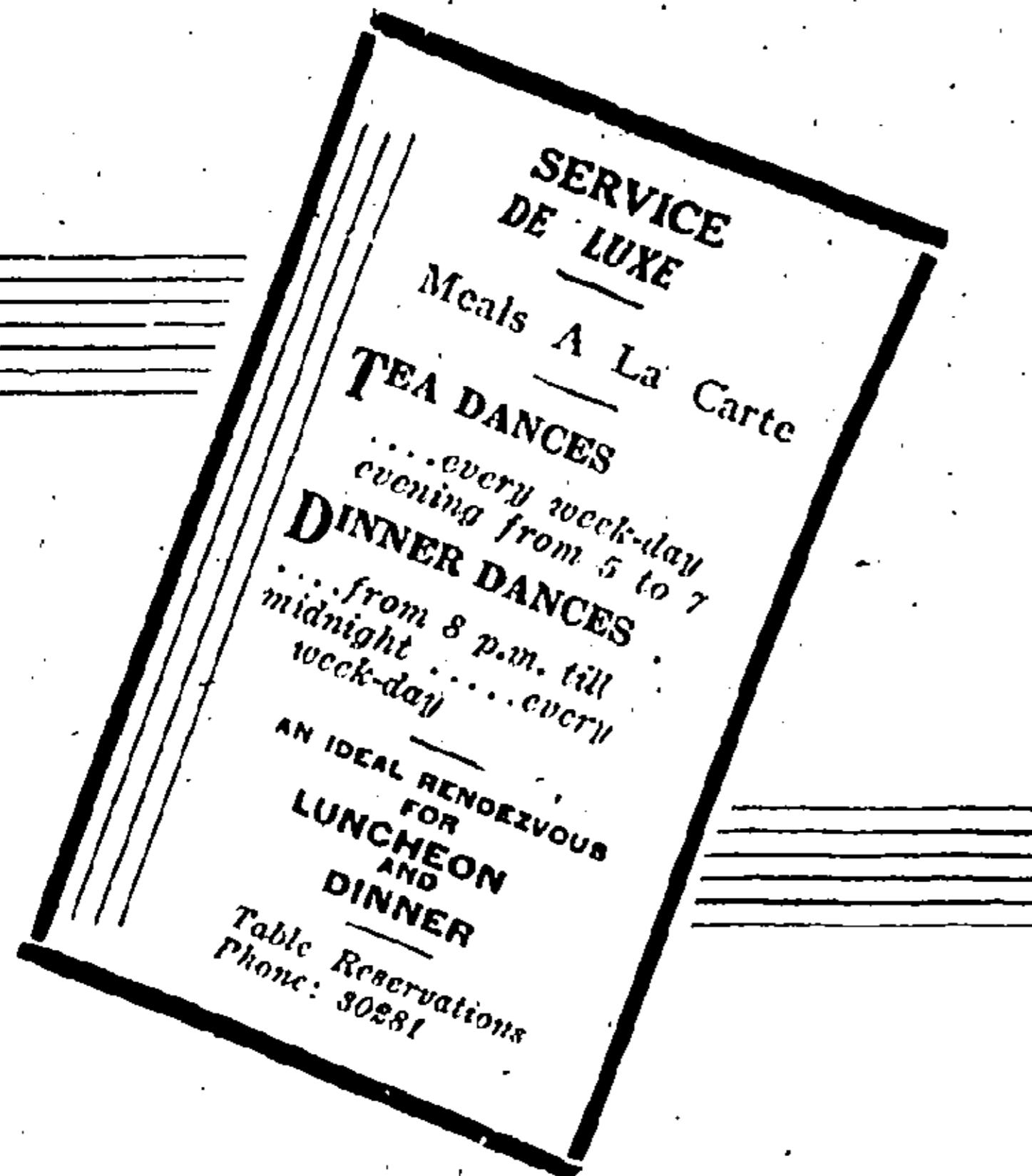
Capriccio Italian (Italian Caprice) (Tschaikowsky).

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Shepherd's Christmas Music (Bach).

Leopold Stokowski and the Philadelphia Orchestra, 7142.

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K.C.C. SUBSCRIPTION INCREASED.

EXTRAORDINARY MEETING'S DECISION.

The majority of the members who attended the extraordinary general meeting of the Kowloon Cricket Club yesterday were in favour of a resolution submitted by the general committee that the monthly subscription for members and subscribers be raised to \$6, and for sea-going members to \$2.50, and that the necessary alterations be made in the Articles of Association of the Club as from February 1, 1932.

Mr. Justice Lindell (President) was in the chair and was supported by Mr. Ezra Abraham and other members of the General Committee.

In putting the resolution to the meeting the chairman pointed out the many privileges and facilities which members enjoyed as compared with certain other clubs, and, after going into the necessity and the effect of the increase which was proposed, he moved that the resolution, before the meeting be adopted.

After Mr. Ezra Abraham had seconded, Mr. W. Goldenberg moved an amendment that, while the resolution be adopted, the committee be instructed to reduce the profits made on the sale of drinks from 33 per cent to 25 per cent.

After much discussion, during which it was pointed out by members that the committee should not be tied down in such a way, Mr. Goldenberg withdrew his amendment and the original motion was adopted, the chairman giving the meeting an assurance, at the request of Mr. Goldenberg when the amendment was withdrawn, that the committee would work on the 25 per cent basis as from February next, to see how it worked, but they were not prepared to continue on the same basis if the profits did not justify it.

SEAMEN BECOME OFFICERS.

THE FIRST DOZEN.

Promotions issued by the Admiralty contain the names of the first dozen able seamen to be promoted to officer rank under the scheme recently announced by the Admiralty.

The new scheme takes the place of the old mates scheme, against which the objection had long been urged that it created class distinction. Opportunities for advancement from mate, too, were limited.

The promotions just announced are in the executive branch, and the able seamen selected take the rank of acting sub-lieutenant, with seniority of Dec. 1. They will have the same opportunities of further promotion as any other officer in the Service, and there is now nothing to prevent a seaman boy who has the ability rising ultimately to become an Admiral of the Fleet.

The men promoted are: G. Carter, K. C. Ogilvie, S. W. Wright, J. V. Bennett, H. C. Price, G. R. Brown, L. E. Woodhouse, H. E. H. Pain, E. V. Gibbs, and G. E. Luckett.

FANLING GOLF.

STARTING TIMES FOR TO-MORROW.

New Course.

9.28 Comdr. Priestley, R. H. McBean.
9.38 Comdr. Hole, G. W. Sewell.
9.44 Mrs. B. Brown, Miss Coppin.
9.52 C. B. Robertson, J. G. Campbell.
10.00 Mrs. C. W. E. Bishop, Mrs. R. H. Wood.
10.08 B. Thomson, T. Grant.
10.15 Miss G. Orme, Mrs. Harrop.
10.24 W. S. McKinley, C. H. Burton.
10.32 Mrs. Danby, Mrs. Matthews.
10.40 Mr. Rodgers, Mrs. Rodgers.
10.48 G. T. May, H. P. Bailey.
10.56 G. C. Lelper, E. Williams.
11.00 J. J. French, Mrs. French.

Note.—Alternate times 9.24, 9.32 etc., are vacant. Players can move up to earlier times, if any are vacant, but should cancel times vacated. Times cannot be given to other players; nor can times be booked by proxy.

Old Course.

9.30 F. J. de Rome, A. H. Musson.
9.45 R. W. Vallance, O. E. C. Marton.
9.45 I. W. Shewan, G. R. Horridge.
9.45 H. U. Ireland, A. E. Lissaman.
9.45 E. de Voeux, A. O. Brown.
9.52 D. Lovell, P. S. Grant.
9.56 W. C. Shields, C. E. Holmes.
10.00 C. W. E. Bishop, R. M. Wood.
10.04 C. F. Ancott, J. Thayer.
10.08 Capt. Morgan, G. W. Reeve.
10.12 C. W. F. Booker, C. Mycock.
10.16 H. R. Sturt, J. W. Alabaster.
10.20 S. S. Perry, A. G. Coplin.
10.24 A. D. Humphreys, A. B. Purves.
10.28 C. B. Johnson, A. B. Raworth.
10.32 F. C. Young, R. C. Webb.
10.36 A. Sommerfelt, R. C. Law.
10.40 F. A. Redmond, J. Sturt.
10.44 J. D. Danby, E. D. Matthews.
10.48 J. Coulthart, A. M. Parker.
10.52 J. Mandracchia, W. G. Lorimer.
10.56 C. Thwaites, A. Weight.
11.00 E. J. Dowley, J. B. Lunyon.
11.04 B. Evans, R. W. Taplin.
11.08 T. Low, R. H. Dowler.
11.12 I. H. Geare, D. Forbes.
11.16 J. S. Dykes, H. Lowe.
11.20 H. Jeppson, G. V. T. Marshall.
11.24 W. S. Hillier, J. MacKnight.
11.28 G. Carter, T. S. Whyte-Smith.
11.32 M. S. Ellis, J. Gardner.
11.36 T. R. Charnells, G. Thompson.
11.40 J. Harrop, E. R. Price.

THE BRITISH LEGION IN NICE.

SENDER OF FALSE REPORT EXPelled BY PREFECT.

Nice, Nov. 8.

Strong feeling has been aroused in Nice by the report that in the course of the All Saints' Day celebrations here, members of the British Legion were hooted and the British Legion flag torn and trampled on by the crowd.

The *Éclaireur de Nice* published a vehement denial of this report. This denial is backed by Major Symons, head of the British Legion in Nice and Monaco, who adds that the incidents which did take place in Nice on the day in question were near the Italian consulate and were merely audible in the distance by members of the British Legion.

The Prefect has decided to expel from Nice the correspondent who reported the alleged incident.

ARTIST-MISER'S HOARD.

POUND AFTER PAUPER FUNERAL.

The well-known German painter, Lesser Ury, who was given a pauper's funeral when he died at the age of seventy, since he was supposed to be utterly destitute, turns out to be a wealthy man.

When his executors began to clear up his studio and arrange his unsold works they found, hidden away among the pictures, several thousand marks in cash, bundles of notes and bonds, a long pearl necklace and a record of deposits in an old German bank amounting to 260,000 marks (£12,800 at par).

Under the dust and debris of the studio the executors also discovered unopened parcels and boxes containing a fur coat of the most elegant cut, expensive silk underwear, bottles of wine, champagne and liquors and other luxuries.

During his lifetime the purchaser was always half-starved and preferred to work huddled up in a great-coat rather than burn coal to heat his room.

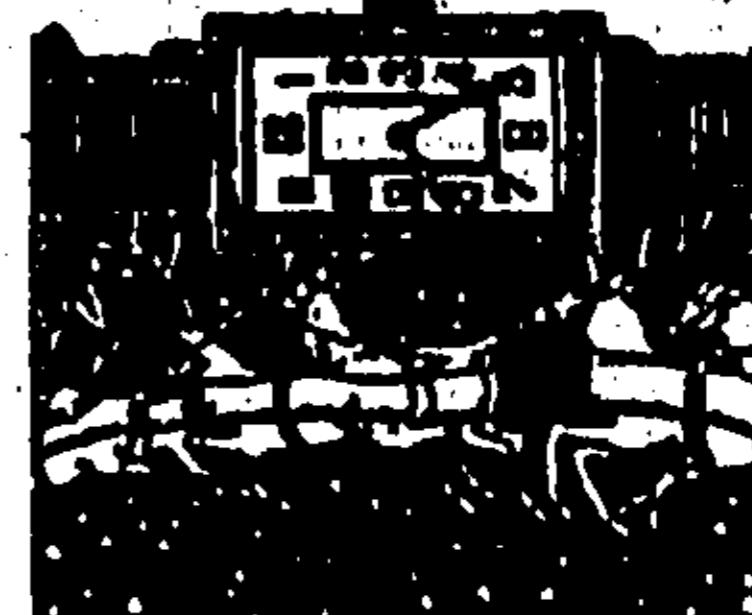
Lesser Ury belonged to the impressionist school of painters. His pictures of rainy Berlin streets, glowing with thousand reflections, have obtained increased recognition during the last ten years. His best work is generally considered to have been produced during the few weeks he spent in London.

TEAR GAS BOMBS.

U.S. SAILORS DISPERSE CHINESE SOLDIERS.

Hankow, Dec. 11. Chinese soldiers this morning attempted to board the Yangtze Rapidis motor vessel I-Fung, at present at the bund, shortly before it was to leave for Shanghai.

American sailors from a nearby U.S. gunboat came on the scene and dispersed the soldiers with tear gas bombs.—Reuters.



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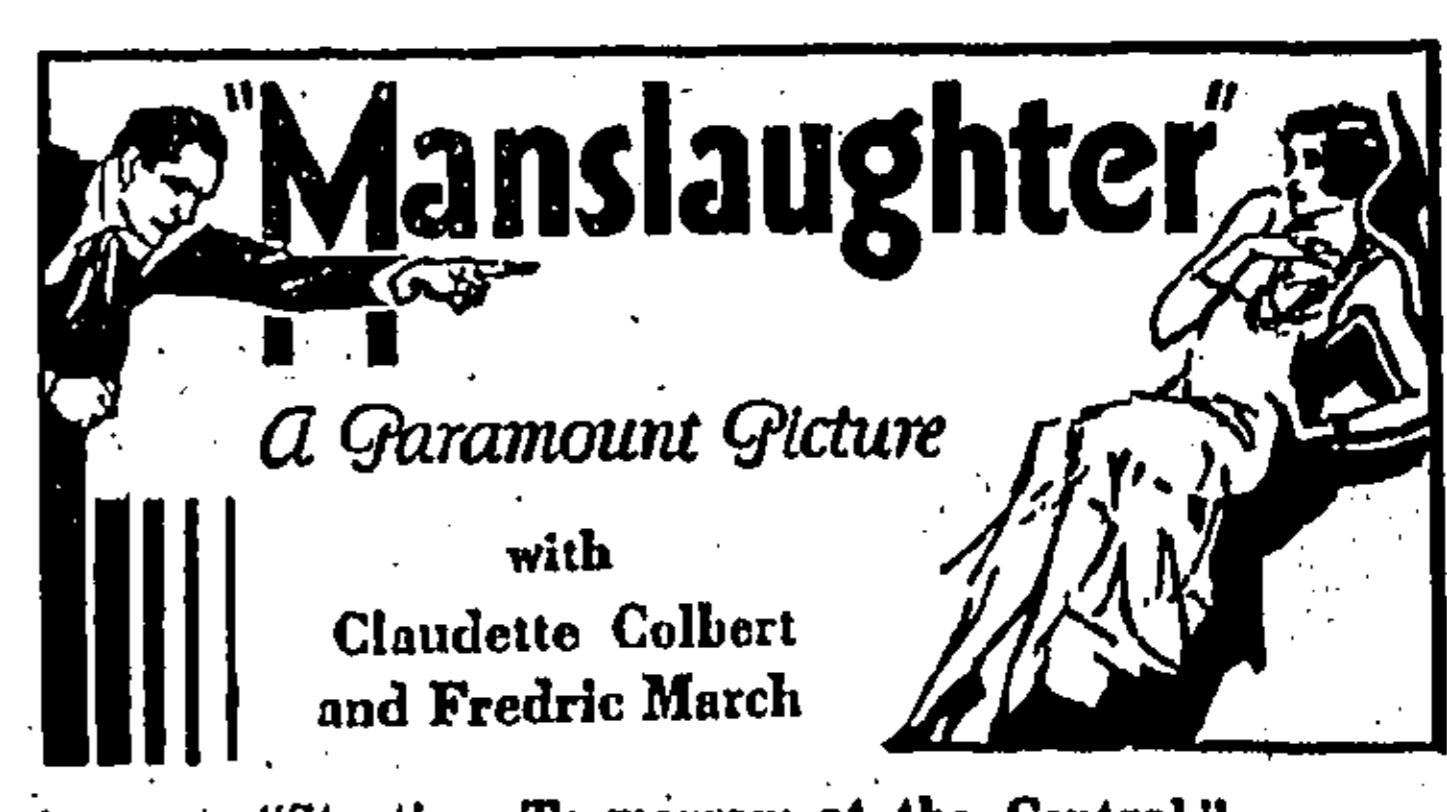
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SIMPLY ELEGANT

Furs and velvets hold the foreground of winter fashions, setting a new high mark for loveliness

by Julia

Photos and Illustrations from Bonwit-Teller, New York

Everybody will come to your parties if you make yourself alluring in Vionnet's black and white velvet hostess gown . . . which could teach Eugenie a trick or two about romance.

WHEN the glamorous spirit of the Empress Eugenie came to haunt the feminine world of 1931 with an impudent little hat cocked rakishly over the right eye, its trailing plumes tickled the imagination of everybody concerned in the restoration.

It was picturesque. It was romantic. It had its beauty and it had its charm. Also it was different with an elegance which intrigued the mind so long attuned to tailored practicality.

Except for sports occasion there are few hours of the day that are not dominated by velvet. For matinees, afternoon tea and bridge there are lovely velvet frocks with black and white combinations leading the procession.

short coats and matching muffs

TOIPPING the velvet climax are the quaint little short evening coats with their matching muffs. The muffs are barrel-shaped and very tiny. They are shown in velvet, chiffon, and even flowers to correspond in color to the tiny coats. These of velvet and chiffon look just like little shirred barrels.

Keeping step with all this velvet elegance are the luxurious furs. Luxurious does not mean costly. In fact, the prevailing fur mode for daytime wear is the stunning little short coat of galyac, or pony, which falls well under a hundred dollars in cost, and which every woman wants to wear over the woolen frocks so popular for the street.

For that winter coat caracul remains the formal fur, but kidskin, galyac, and Hudson seal are as numerous as the sands of the sea.

an afternoon frock of velvet

ANY woman who can't look absolutely ravishing in one of the lovely afternoon frocks of velvet with a plumed hat tilted jauntily over her right ear is a hopeless club.

Black velvet with collars and cuffs of white lace is a stunning costume for Sunday evenings, but for those who prefer colors there's that lovely new shade of red called "Spanish tile."

One lovely utilization of it is a Russian blouse and a skirt of deep, rich brown velvet. The blouse is tied about the waist with a heavy silver cord.

a recipe for evening charm

IF you want to be simply irresistible, deny yourself anything whatever except the little velvet evening coat with its matching muff which looks for all the world like a tiny shirred barrel.

a hostess gown in velvet

THE velvet vogue, inspired by the romantic period of the Second Empire, finds expression throughout the dainty world, from the impudent hat which tilts over the right eye to the hand bag which is an exact replica of that carried by the court ladies of that fascinating period when they went forth to shop—or whatever court ladies did then.

*Especially glamorous are the hostess gowns. There is a Vionnet creation in black and white chiffon vel-

You will tell a fascinating story in black and white if you choose this black velvet afternoon dress . . . which knows how to be very demure and yet daringly chic.

Very flattering and highly stylish is this short velvet jacket . . . which has an adorable velvet muff and which goes beautifully with street frocks.

To ride in fashion's parade, why not try this short pony coat . . . which, for all its brevity, lengthens your style . . . and takes a hat with a pert, chic little feather.

fur coats for woolen frocks

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a new coat-and-muff harmony

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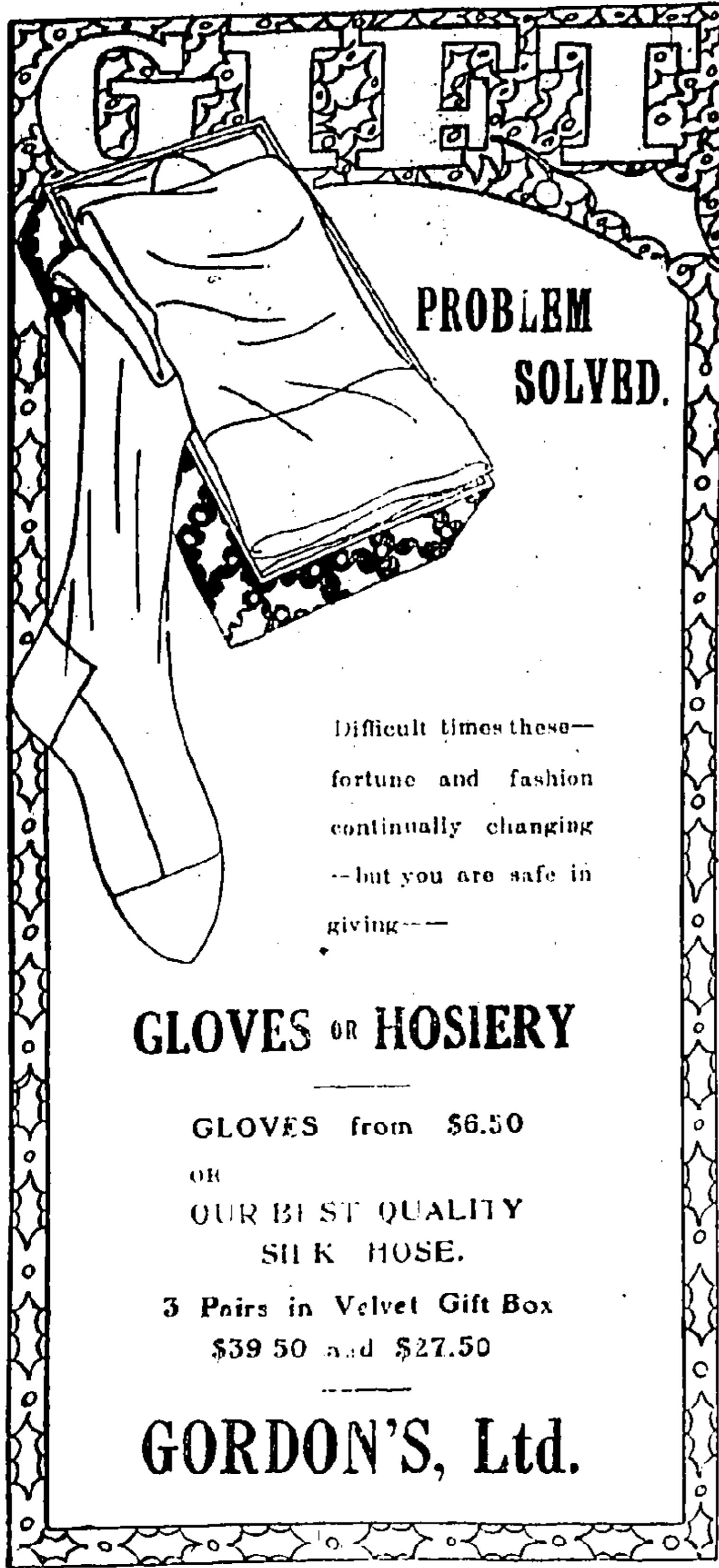
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**MRS. SNOWDEN AND THE WAITERS.****STRANGE CLOSING-TIME SCENE.**

London, Nov. 16.

Mrs. Snowden was involved in an extraordinary closing-time scene last night at a West End restaurant, at which the annual dinner of the Guild of Singers and Players was held.

Herself a great music lover, Mrs. Snowden was in the chair. Many of the best-known singers and instrumentalists of the day were present, and Mr. John Goss was about to sing.

It was just on 10.30, and closing time in the West End on Sunday nights is 10 o'clock.

Suddenly a number of waiters and waitresses poured into the room, and started clearing away bottles and glasses, thus causing a clatter.

"Please Go Away."

Mr. Goss waited patiently for silence for some moments and then Mrs. Snowden said to the waiters and waitresses, "Will you please go away; we want to go on with our concert."

The waiters seemed not to hear. They went on clearing away.

Mrs. Snowden said again: "Will you retire? We want to go ahead."

Then the head waiter went to Mrs. Snowden and spoke to her. "But you can't clear them away," she was heard to say.

"I must," said the head waiter. "Then hurry," was Mrs. Snowden's reply.

Mr. Goss was still waiting to sing, and there were protests from those present.

"Do please hurry," repeated Mrs. Snowden after another pause. "I really do not see why you must clear away glasses containing water and lemonade. We have our toasts to drink."

Mrs. Snowden's Comment.
But still they cleared away and Mr. Goss waited.

"It is an amazing experience," was Mrs. Snowden's comment as they were clearing away the last of the bottles and glasses.

A little later Mrs. Snowden, who is a teetotaler, gripped her bottle of mineral water hard as a waiter approached her.

Proposing her health Mr. Cyril Scott said, "I really don't know what we are going to drink it in, as the County Council or whoever it is insists on treating us like children, and saying 'You have had enough to drink!'"

Every glass had gone from the table when the guests rose to drink Mrs. Snowden's health, and they simply bowed to her.

Later an official of the restaurant explained that closing time on Sunday nights was 10 o'clock, and that they had no option but to clear away. They had been warned, he added.

LIQUOR FROM A WRECK.**RESCUE OF BRITISH CREW AND SEQUEL.**

New York, Nov. 15.

When the American freighter Arlyn, owned by the Bull Line, encountered the British vessel John Manning in a sinking condition off Cape Hatteras last February it was natural that the Arlyn should go alongside and take off the Manning's crew. What was not customary was the action of the Arlyn's crew in salvaging 4,000 cases of champagne, whisky, and other liquors, storing them under a cargo of sugar, bringing them to New York, and saying nothing about the rescue.

When the Arlyn docked the rescued seamen disappeared, and next night lorries appeared at the dock and took off the liquor.

Later the members of the Arlyn's crew found that they had earned much more than ordinary wages on the unusual voyage. One stoker, however, felt that his share was much too small. He received only 20 dollars, much less than other members of the crew received, and as a result, he talked when the Arlyn arrived from Porto Rico early in the week and all the members of the crew were kept aboard ship and questioned.

Although many members of the "rescue" crew had disappeared, sufficient evidence was obtained for the Government to seize the vessel and place the matter in the hands of the Federal Attorney for proceedings against the Line as well as the sailors.

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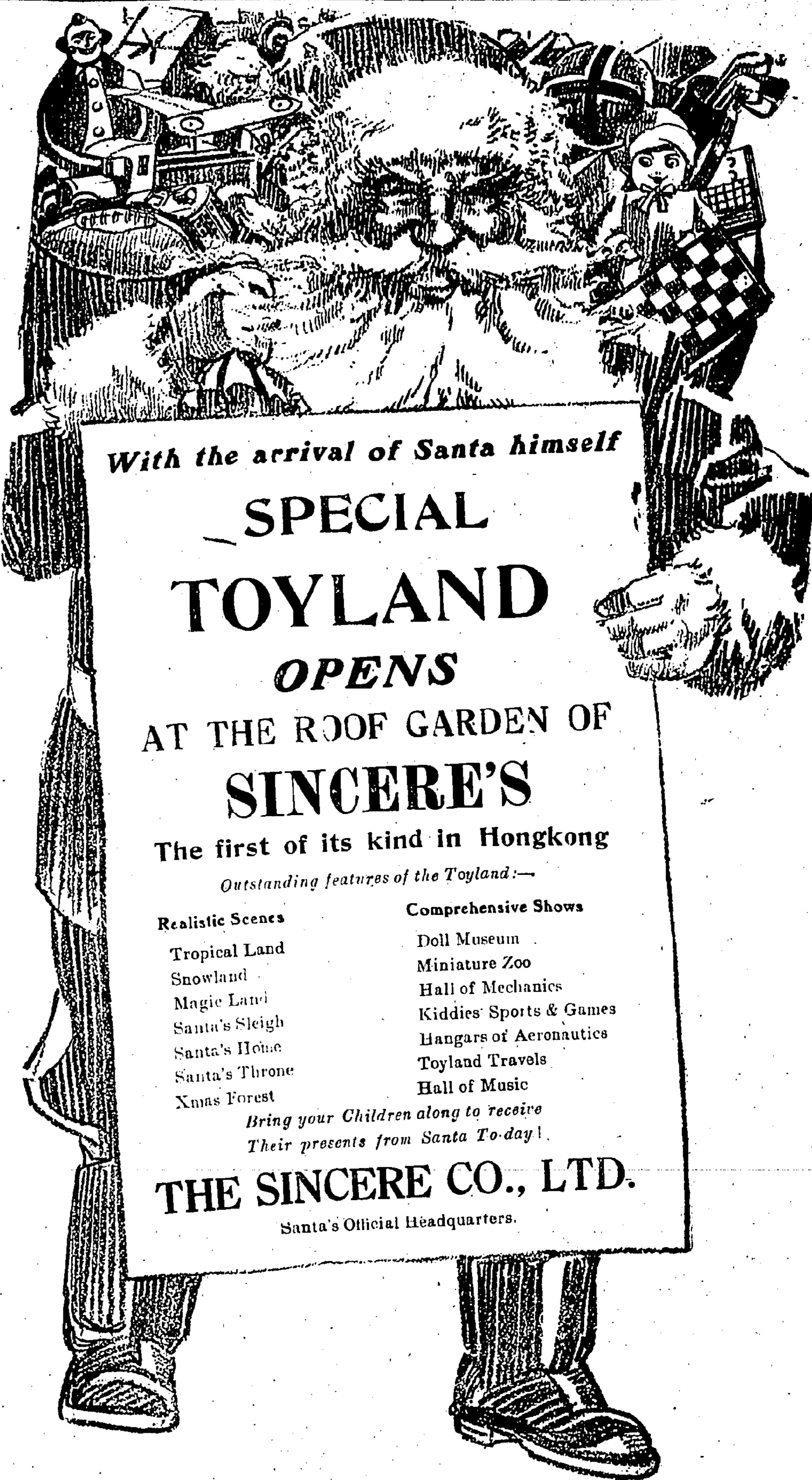
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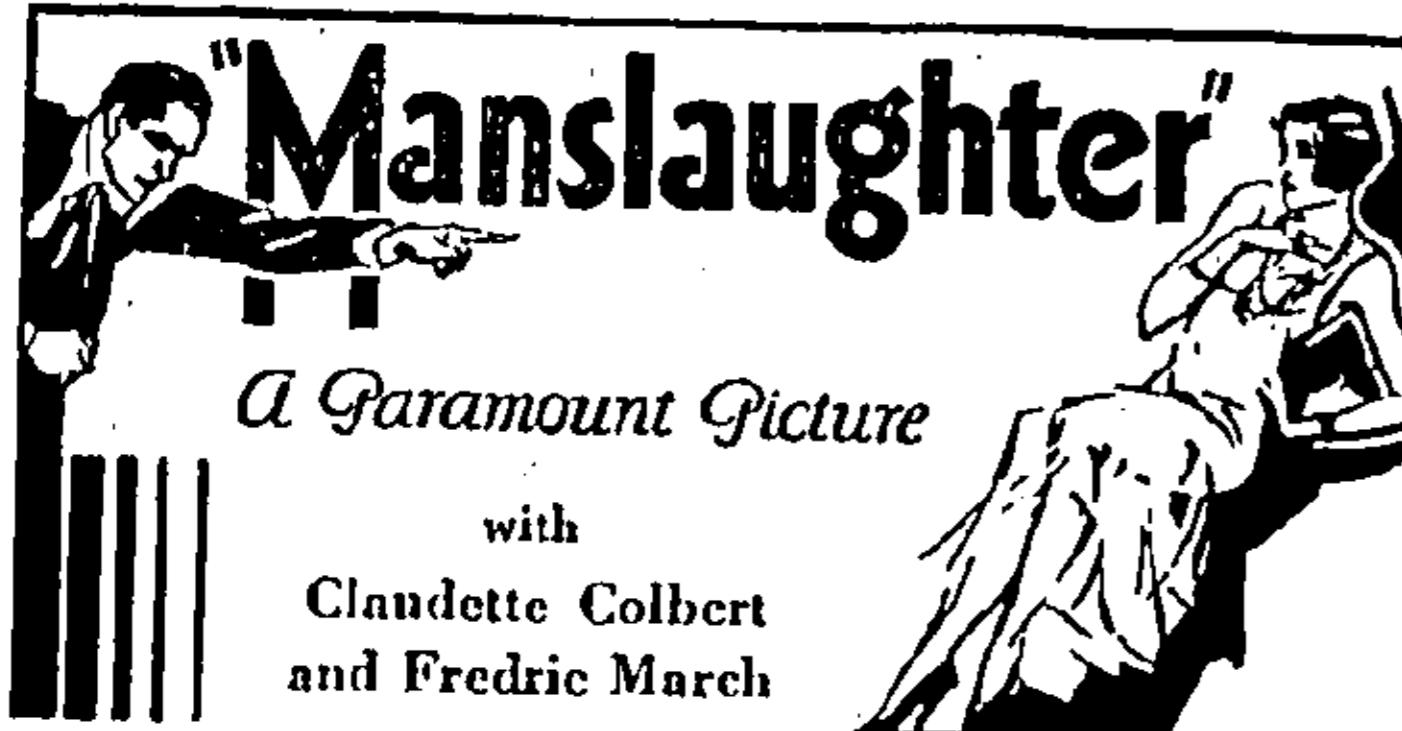
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Tel. 23380.**SEQUEL TO WAR RAID.****WHAT DOCUMENTS
DISCLOSED.**

After thirteen years it has become known that one of the principal events which brought about the end of the Great War after plans had been made for carrying it over the winter of 1918, was a daring raid carried out by a section of the 17th (Armoured Car) Tank Battalion upon the German headquarters at Framerville, ten miles from Amiens and about nine miles behind the then German line, under Lieutenant E. J. Rollings, M.C., who, in the raid, secured possession of a large number of valuable documents which gave a full account and plans of the Hindenburg Line, and thereby led to a complete change of the Allies' arrangements—and victory.

Lieutenant Rollings, who is now a police sergeant in the Neath Borough Police Force, Glamorganshire, stated in an interview that he had never had any official imagination of the part he played in ending the War.

He was ordered by his superior officer, Colonel Carter, to carry out the raid, and he, in one car, and Lieutenant E. A. Yeoman, who now lives at Taunton, in another car, were deputed to do the work.

"The Australians," he said, "were to break the line, and we, the armoured cars, had to wait until given signal. When the Australians had broken through the cars were towed by tanks for more than two miles over broken country until they reached good roads, and then we went on our own. I had three gunners with me in my car and Lieutenant Yeoman had the same. On reaching Framerville, I took the right road and Yeoman the left."

"I had not proceeded very far before I came upon the German headquarters, which were in an old building, and to reach which we had to mount some steps. I found the place without anyone in it, and was able to make a hurried search, and secure a number of papers, which I crammed into a sand-bag."

"As I emerged after completing the search, my men and I came face to face with two German staff officers. Who were talking about forty yards from the headquarters. We shot them dead before they had time to realise what was happening."

"I left immediately after securing their revolvers and searching their clothing, from which I secured more papers, and, with these, I immediately returned without harm to headquarters."

**HITLERITES TOP
THE POLE.****DOMINANT PARTY IN HESSE**

Berlin, Nov 15. Parliamentary elections in the State of Hesse to-day resulted in a sensational victory for the National Socialists' (Fascists) Party.

In all the great areas in towns and country alike the followers of Adolf Hitler headed the polls with huge majorities, and the National Socialist Party, which was almost unrepresented in the last Diet, will now be the dominant party.

Red's Heavy Poll.

The Fascists' victory was made at the expense of the Moderate Middle Parties, whose candidates everywhere were placed at the bottom of the poll.

In the towns the Communists polled heavily.

Herr Bruening (the Chancellor), Herr Hitler and Herr Breitscheid, the Socialist leader, took an active part in the campaign.

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**POLICE 'PHONE
BOXES.****SHOULD THEY BE
ABOLISHED?**

Economies amounting to thousands of pounds in the Metropolitan Police Force will shortly be submitted to Lord Trenchard, the new Commissioner. The Metropolitan Police Branch Board are suggesting:

Abolition of the police 'phone box system;

Reduction of cars and personnel in the mobile force;

Chief Inspectors and lower rank officers to drive themselves;

Issue of additional uniforms to be suspended;

Building of new premises to be held over.

These will first of all be considered by the Commissioner in conjunction with the Police Federation's suggestions, and will be passed on for consideration by the Police Council and the Home Secretary, Sir Herbert Samuel.

Suggestions for economies in police forces throughout the country have been asked for, and it may be several weeks before the scheme as a whole can be considered.

The suspension of all recruiting of women police is one suggestion which is likely to give rise to keen discussion when the Council meets.

**GLANDS AT ROOT
OF CRIME.****EXPERIMENTS ON
CONVICTS.**

New York, Nov. 12. Experiments made on 259 of Sing Sing's toughest convicts showed that gland disorders and criminality are closely related, according to a report to the New York Society of Medical Jurisprudence by Dr. Louis Berman, a well-known specialist.

He conjured up a vision of the future in which crime would be erased by curing instead of punishing these victims of gland deficiency.

Similar tests made on 196 juvenile delinquents also tended to prove the theory correct, Dr. Berman said.

THOSE DONS.**CAMBRIDGE DEBATE.**

Cambridge Union Debating Society, having spent the early part of the term discussing serious political matters, became flippant when it discussed "That this House disapproves of Dons."

Mr. J. Bronowski, an undergraduate, said Dons were "the mearest of men," and Cambridge was a university which had lost its strength of direction.

Mr. J. P. Sheppard, vice-provost of King's and an ex-president of the Union, said that the function of the university was to teach men to use their imagination and therefore eccentric Dons were very valuable.

The motion was defeated by 254 to 22.

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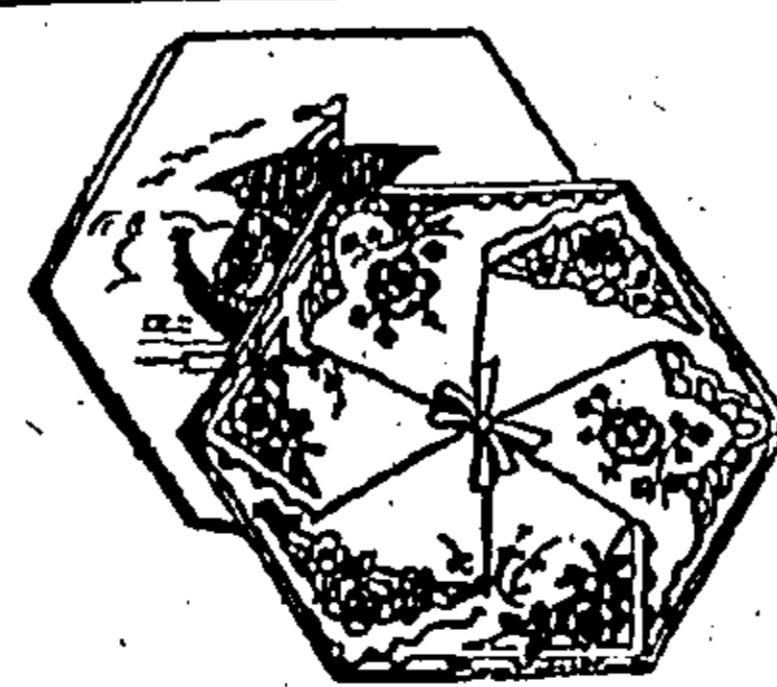
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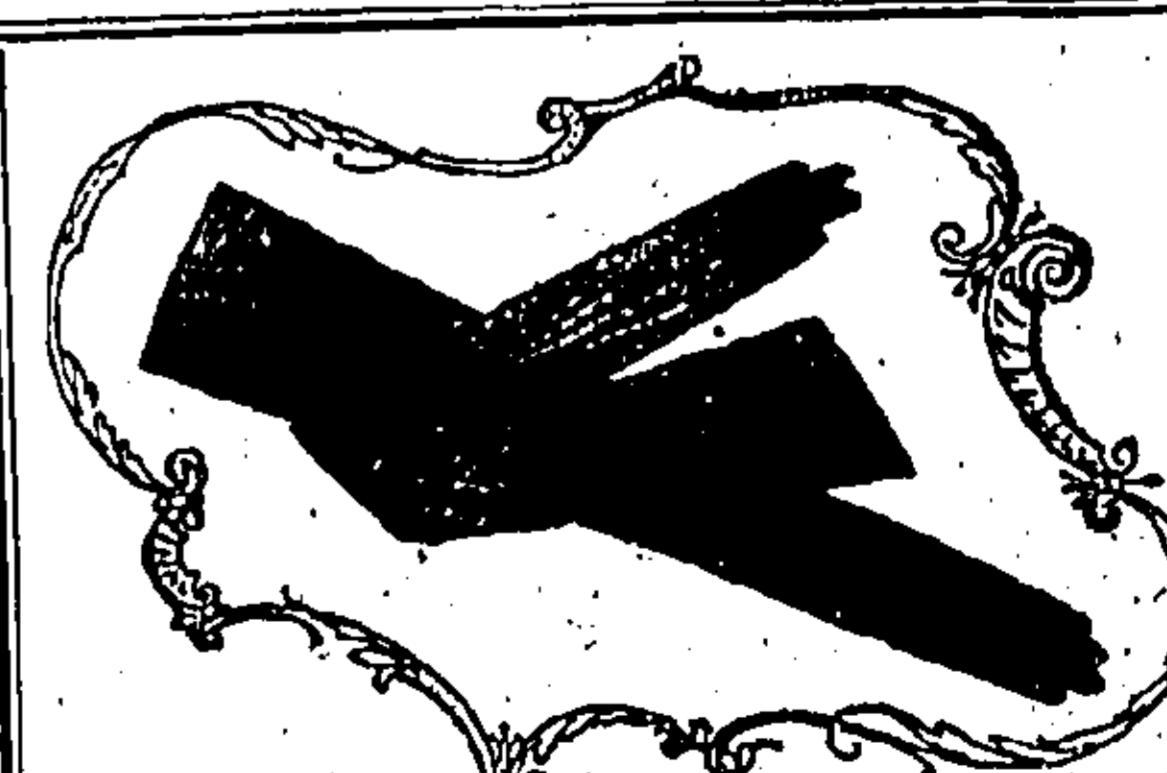
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Mercantile A. and B., £10 n.
East Asia, \$128 n.
Insurances,
Canton Ins., 1,450 n.
Union Ins., \$430 n.
China Underwriters, \$4,00 n.
China Fires, \$650 n.
H. K. Fire Ins., \$1,460 n.
Shipping.
Douglas, \$22 1/2 n.
H. K. Steamboats, \$24 n.
Indo-Chinas, (Pref.), \$25 n.
Union Waterboats, \$27 n.
Mining.

Benguet, \$10 1/2 n.
Kallana, 30/- n.
Shui Explorations, Tls. 2.40 b.
Rubis, \$42 b.

Docks, etc.

Kowloon Wharves, \$153 1/2 b.
Whampoa Docks, \$29 n.

South China Motors \$10 n.
Providents (old) \$5.15 b.
Hongkewa, Tls. 225 n.
New Engineers, Tls. 6 1/2 n.
Shanghai Docks, Tls. 96 n.

Cottons.

Two cottons Tls. 16 1/2 n.
Shai Cotton Tls. 85 n.

Zoon Sings Tls. 12 n.

Lands, Hotels, etc.

H. K. S. Hotel (old) \$15.10 s.

H. K. S. Hotel (new) \$14.60 b.

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Humphreys, \$18 n.

Realities, \$12.05 n.

Public Utilities.

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Star Ferries, \$95 1/2 b.

China Light, \$28 b.

H. K. Electrics, \$78 b.

Macao Electrics, \$23 n.

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Singapore Traction, 4/- n.

Industries.

China Sugars 50 cts. n.

Mahabong, \$39 n.

Canton Ice, \$65 1/2 b.

Cements (com.) \$19.10 b.

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Stores, etc.

Dairy Farms, \$29 n.

Watson, \$16.70 n.

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CUNARD COMPANY'S DECISION.

WORK SUSPENDED ON GIANT LINER.

London, Dec. 11.
A decision of the directors of the Cunard Company to suspend work on their giant new liner now under construction at Clydebank has been received with intense disappointment throughout the country.

The 73,000 ton vessel, which was estimated to cost £4,500,000, was due for launching next May, and with it the Cunard Company hoped to regain the blue ribbon of the Atlantic, which for twenty years they held with the Mauretania. About 3,000 men have been directly employed on the construction of the ship, apart from those engaged in the associated industries providing the equipment.

The reasons prompting the decision were announced in a document sent to shareholders in the company last night, which stated that the international crisis has changed the whole financial background of the methods under which the company's ship construction policy was based.

The company's decision was the main topic of discussion in the lobbies of the House of Commons last night, and the matter was raised by the Clydeside members during the closing stages of the debate on the vote of censure, and a statement on behalf of the Government by the President of the Board of Trade, Mr. Walter Runciman, was promised to-day.

Government Statement.

This was made in reply to a question by Mr. Kirkwood.

Mr. Runciman said that the Board of Trade were informed confidentially, some days ago, that the Cunard Company considered it necessary to suspend building for the present. The reason given by the company was that this year, for the first time for many years, the company had been unable to earn the depreciation on its old ships. It had been the practice to finance the construction of new

COTTON INDUSTRY.

COMMITTEE'S PROPOSAL FOR REORGANISATION.

London, Dec. 11.

Important proposals for the reorganising of the cotton industry have been issued by the joint committee of the cotton trade organisations.

These provide that interested sections of the industry should go to Parliament for a statutory scheme for scrapping or otherwise immobilising their surplus plant and machinery, the necessary funds to be raised by levies on all the firms concerned.—British Wires.

ships by making use of bill market finance, and repaying those maturities out of the earnings set aside annually to cover the normal depreciation, and paying out of the earnings of the ship responsible during the first few years of our operation.

The consequences of suspension were realised, but no stone had been left unturned by those concerned in avoiding it.

Question of Assistance.

The question of direct Government assistance was not raised, and if it had been raised he feared it would not have been possible to give financial assistance in this case.

The Cunard Company was building this ship out of its own resources, and the only assistance asked for from the Government was in respect of the insurance, and this was given with the approval of Parliament.

"The suspension of work on the vessel is very much to be regretted, but I am afraid any idea of direct Government financial assistance is out of the question, and we can only hope that circumstances will permit its building before long. I would like to add that all bills of exchange given on this ship will be paid off as they mature, out of the company's own liquid resources, which are ample for the purpose."

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GOLD FOUND ON A FARM.

SAMPLES PASSED BY EXPERT.

The report that a farmer, Mr. John Wiggins, of Bessmount, has discovered gold on his farm has caused great excitement among the people of Dungannon, County Tyrone.

Mr. Wiggins, while inspecting his cattle, discovered stones speckled with a reddish substance which looked like gold.

He showed the stones to Col. C. Godfrey-Jones, of Llandaff, Cardiff, a mining engineer visiting Dungannon, who said to a reporter:—"I know nothing about gold, but Mr. Wiggins persuaded me to take some samples."

"I sent these to London to be examined by the assayer to the Bank of England. His report is extraordinarily good, the proportion of gold to the ton of ore being considerable."

"When the result of the examination was communicated to Mr. Wiggins he telephoned asking me to go to Dungannon. I went over and inspected samples of the ore, which I found scattered about in several places. Mr. Wiggins is now negotiating with the Government of Northern Ireland, with the object of obtaining a licence to search for gold or other precious metals. If the search proves satisfactory mining operations may follow."

Mr. Runciman said if the company had any proposals to make, they would be most carefully considered by the Government.—British Wires.

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TWO CONFLICTING STORIES.

JUDGE FINDS ONE MAN MUST BE LYING.

One of these two must be lying," said the Pulan Judge (Mr. Justice Lindell) in the Summary Court yesterday, when delivering a written judgment, "but as to which one was I could obtain very little guidance from the demeanour of either. To reach a decision on the facts I am, therefore, driven to fall back upon the probabilities, and to my mind the balance of probability is in favour of the plaintiff."

His Lordship gave judgment for plaintiff for the claim and costs.

In this action the Tak Yuen Tai Firm, No. 182, Wellington Street, sued the Li Yik Chun Firm, No. 97, Wing Lok Street, claiming \$307 as the balance due and owing to goods sold and delivered.

Mr. R. C. H. Lim, instructed by Mr. J. M. Hall, of Messrs. Lyons and Hall, was for plaintiff, while Mr. F. X. D'Almada defended.

His Lordship said:—On neither side in this case was there evidence satisfactory.

For the plaintiff, the testimony of a single witness, a salesman, was tendered, and though his veracity was seriously challenged in cross-examination, the tenor of which clearly revealed the defendant's case, no further evidence was called to corroborate his story.

Attempt To Re-open Case.

It is true that Mr. Lim sought leave to re-open his case with a view to establishing that certain payments alleged to have been made by the defendant firm were made in partial liquidation of a general account between the parties, and not specifically appropriated to help to liquidate any sub-account, but the evidence of plaintiff's accountant on this point, though important, would not have been conclusive; and I fail to understand why Lo Tso-shan, proprietor of plaintiff firm, was not himself called in support of his own case.

Contra, the case for the defence is based on the evidence of a single witness, the proprietor of defendant firm, and though he has given the name of the travelling representatives of five or six Amoy firms with whom he maintains the plaintiff firm did business direct, after his introduction, and though he states that those travellers are in Hongkong at frequent intervals, not one of them has been called to corroborate his testimony.

One Man Lying.

This case, therefore, resolves itself practically into a duel, "one man's word against another's," their respective stories being mutually irreconcilable. One of these two must be lying, but as to which that one was I could obtain very little guidance from the demeanour of either. To reach to-day.



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To take the defendant's version first, I cannot think it likely, (1) that having once introduced the representatives of these Amoy firms to plaintiff, he would have found it necessary to accompany them to plaintiff's premises whenever any one of them desired to place an order or make a payment.

(2) That if, as defendant deposes, those representatives had been quite ignorant of the Cantonese dialect and of Hongkong trading conditions, they would have been selected by their principals to do direct business with Cantonese merchants in Hongkong.

(3) That if he played the very minor part in these transactions that he alleges, the defendant could well have become entitled to the two per cent. commission which, it is admitted by both sides, was payable to him.

Plaintiff's Version.

On the other hand there is nothing improbable about plaintiff's version, that while he dealt throughout with defendant, as agent for disclosed but otherwise unknown and foreign principals, yet he looked to him for payment and, indeed, received from him in person such payments as were made on account of the transactions in issue.

This version is, to some extent, corroborated by the way in which the plaintiff's books were kept. Each item in his goods delivery book (Ex. D.) runs, "Received goods on behalf of so and so and acknowledge indebtedness to the value of so much." Again, in the general sale of goods book (Ex. A.) the sum of money paid on account are entered merely as received, without anything to show by whom or in what circumstances they were paid—a fact which defendant admits to be hard to reconcile with his version of the circumstances of those payments.

Judgment For Plaintiff.

I, therefore, accept the evidence given for the plaintiff and find that in his dealings with defendant firm he contracted with an agent for foreign principals. The presumption based on the custom of merchants then arises, that the agent had no authority to pledge the credit of his foreign principals, so as to establish priority of contract between them and the plaintiff, even though he disclosed their names. (Cf. 1 Halsbury, 2nd, Edition, paragraph 485, page 200.) This presumption the defendant has not rebutted and he cannot, therefore, succeed.

Judgment for the plaintiff for claim and costs.

A stay of execution for one week was granted, on condition that the full amount claimed, together with costs, be paid into Court by noon of the day.

CRISIS IN JAPAN.

PREMIER TENDERS HIS RESIGNATION.

Tokyo, Dec. 11. The Japanese Cabinet has resigned.—Reuter.

The Premier left his official residence at 5.30 this afternoon and proceeded to the Palace to tender the Cabinet's resignation. At least twenty-four hours are expected to elapse before his successor can be announced, but whatever form the new Cabinet takes, it is generally considered certain that a gold ban will be imposed before the end of the year.

An unchanged policy towards China is likely.

If the Seiyukai Party be summoned to form a Cabinet, it is expected that the Foreign Office portfolio will be given to one of the Seiyukai leaders, but owing to the Seiyukai's minority in the Diet it is thought more likely that either a coalition or a reorganized Minseito Cabinet will be formed; in either of which cases it is possible that Baron Shidehara will be re-appointed.

Military Dictatorship?

According to well-informed quarters, one of the reasons for advocacy of a coalition was for the purpose of forestalling the possibility of a military dictatorship, as it was feared that riotous scenes, which were anticipated in the coming session of the Diet if the Wakatsuki Government remained in power, might so sicken the masses, who are already disgusted with the antics of the political parties, that they might welcome a dictatorship as a preferable alternative to the continuance of party government.—Reuter.

A Hollow Victory.

Nanking, Dec. 11. A Canton report says that Mr. Hu Han-min is leaving shortly for Shanghai. Mr. Hu's sudden departure from Canton for the North is due to the receipt of a joint wire from Messrs. Wang Ching-wei and Chow Lin in Shanghai, who assured their Canton comrades that Chiang Kai-shek will release his telegram of resignation immediately upon the arrival of Canton peace envoys. Messrs. Sun Fo, Eugene Chen, Li Wen-fan and C. C. Wu at Shanghai. The Shanghai telegram also urges the members of C.E.S.C. in Canton to proceed to Shanghai as to participate in the Peace Unification Conference and at the same time to prepare to hold the 1st Plenary Session of the C.E.S.C. of the 4th Congress.

Furthermore, well-informed persons feel that the Japanese victory is Pyrrhic-like, as a large expenditure is involved in Japan's recent operations, and the huge drop in her exports to China, and the probable necessity of permanently increasing the Japanese forces in Manchuria to meet a potential Russian menace, may prove the last straws crashing down on her already overburdened finances.—Reuter.

Japanese Forces for Shantakuan.

Tientsin, Dec. 11. It is learned that one company of Japanese infantry from the Japanese Concession was sent to Shantakuan yesterday evening.—Reuter.

Further Troop Movements.

Mukden, Dec. 11. Traffic on the Peking-Mukden Railway was interrupted this morning on account of Japanese troop movements. There was a heavy snowstorm at Mukden to-

A sharp fall of the gold yen has occurred on the local market.—Reuter.

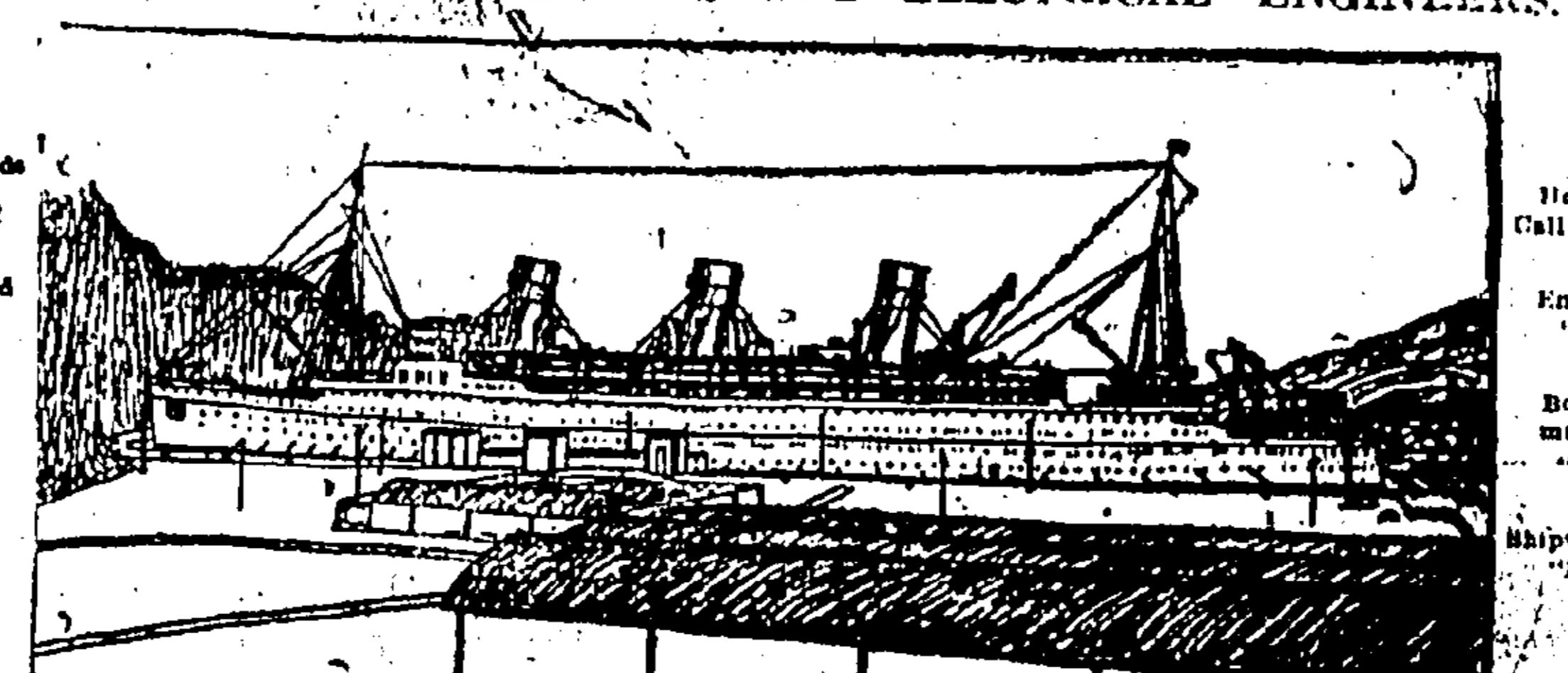
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**PARIS SENSATION
RECALLED.**
**CLUB TO KOUTEPOV
MYSTERY.**

Paris, Dec. 6. The Koutepov mystery was again revived to-day by a report that the police had discovered a new clue to its solution and were conducting an extensive search in Fontainebleau where the remains of the general are said to have been interred in the cellar of a villa.

According to the report which has created a good deal of sensation here, the new clue has been furnished by a convict named Collin who is serving a long sentence for robbery. Collin recently informed the authorities that he was able to throw some light on the mystery of the general's disappearance. At first it was thought that Collin merely wanted to break the monotony of prison life by concocting a story and being brought to Paris to be questioned on it. When, however, some of the detail furnished by Collin fitted in with information already in the possession of the police, the authorities took notice and Collin was really brought to Paris and subjected to a searching examination.

Strangled in Cellar.

From what has hitherto been revealed, it appears that before his arrest Collin lived together with a Russian dancer who had once admitted to him that she knew a man who had assisted in the kidnapping of General Koutepov. The general, it is asserted, was then carried off to a villa in Fontainebleau, whose exact location the dancer did not learn. In this villa the general is said to have been held prisoner for two weeks, steadfastly refusing to reveal any secrets. In the end his captors are alleged to have resorted to third degree methods, finally strangling their victim, who was buried in the cellar of the villa.

**VILLAGE LOYAL TO
ALFONSO.**
**REFUSE TO RECOGNISE
REPUBLIC.**

Madrid, Dec. 6. "King" Alfonso still rules in Spain—according to the inhabitants of a little village called Huesa, in Andalusia.

The village council and the landlords are all staunch monarchists and even now will not recognise the revolution and the Republican government. Eighty per cent. of the population is illiterate.

Recently the Government sent a representative to the village but the inhabitants only insulted him and then formed an organisation which is intended to combat socialism.

The civil governor of Andalusia

**SOCIETY GIRL IN
DOCK.**
**POSSESSION OF
NOXIOUS DRUGS.**
**BOUNDED OVER FOR
THREE YEARS.**

London, Dec. 5.

A well-known society girl, Miss Brenda Dean Paul, 28-years old daughter of Sir Aubrey Dean Paul, caused a sensation when she stepped into the dock of a London Police Court to-day charged on seven summonses under the Dangerous Drugs Act.

The prosecution alleged that between September 22 and November 2 she was in possession of morphine, sulphate and heroin. Counsel alleged also that Miss Paul had received treatment for morphine addiction from a number of doctors without disclosing to any of them that she already was under the care of another doctor. On one day, he continued, she received treatment from no less than three doctors.

Miss Paul's counsel suggested that there was a person who was prepared to guarantee that she would stay in a home and be cured of drug addiction in the event of certain circumstances, and she was bound over for three years to reside where the magistrate directed during that period.

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**MOSCOW LANDMARK
DESTROYED.**
**CATHEDRAL OF THE RE-
DEEMER BLOWN UP.**

Moscow, Dec. 6. One of Moscow's most famous landmarks disappeared to-day when the Cathedral of the Redeemer was blown up to make room for a new building.

A cordon of police and troops cleared the streets for miles around the famous church, which was completed in 1881 at a cost of \$1,600,000 to commemorate the defeat of Napoleon, before the train was set which blew sky-high this wonderful piece of architecture.

Some time ago the building was dismantled, all the mural paintings, panelling, gold, and semi-precious stones being removed and placed in various museums.

On the site of the cathedral there is to be built a great Temple of Labour. The designing of this building is to be made open to competition to architects all over the world.

and the Home Secretary have now been obliged to take the matter up in order to get the Republic recognised, but this handful of villagers.

The civil governor of Andalusia

**NUN WHO MARRIED
AN ARAB.**
**MOTHER OF DESERT
TRIBE.**

Rome, Dec. 4.

Eliza Ciani, the former Italian Catholic nun who became the wife of an Arab chieftain and the mother of an Arab tribe born this morning at Verona in her 7th year, surrounded by a score of her brown-skinned grandchildren.

The story of Eliza Ciani was a sensation 50 years ago when the young and beautiful mother superior of a convent in Amurman surrendered herself to the Mahdist leader Ali Kokoren Ras on the pledge that he spared the lives of the nuns and all other inmates of the convent which had been invested at the outbreak of the Mahdist rebellion. There was only one condition Eliza Ciani made, that she be united to the chieftain in marriage and in accordance with the rites of the Catholic Church, after he himself had been baptised. Ali Kokoren assented and the strange union, afterwards blessed by the church, turned out unexpectedly happy. When her husband died during the war the former nun returned to her home at Verona, where, having an ample fortune at her disposal, she embarked upon a career of generous charity.

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Providents (new)	\$2.36.
Lands	\$80/2.
Realities	\$12.05.
Ewos, Tel.	\$164.
Peak Trams (old)	\$15.15.
Peak Trams (new)	\$6.75.
Electric	\$78.
Canton Ices	\$6.
Dairy Farms	\$29.
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premium	\$24.
Shanghai Explorations, Tel.	2.40.
Wharves	\$163/2.
Hotels (old)	\$16.
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Chinese Estates	\$6.
Trams	\$21.20.
Star Ferries	\$35.1.
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Bellars	
Hotels (old)	\$16.10.
China Lights	\$23/4.
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Lands	\$81/2.
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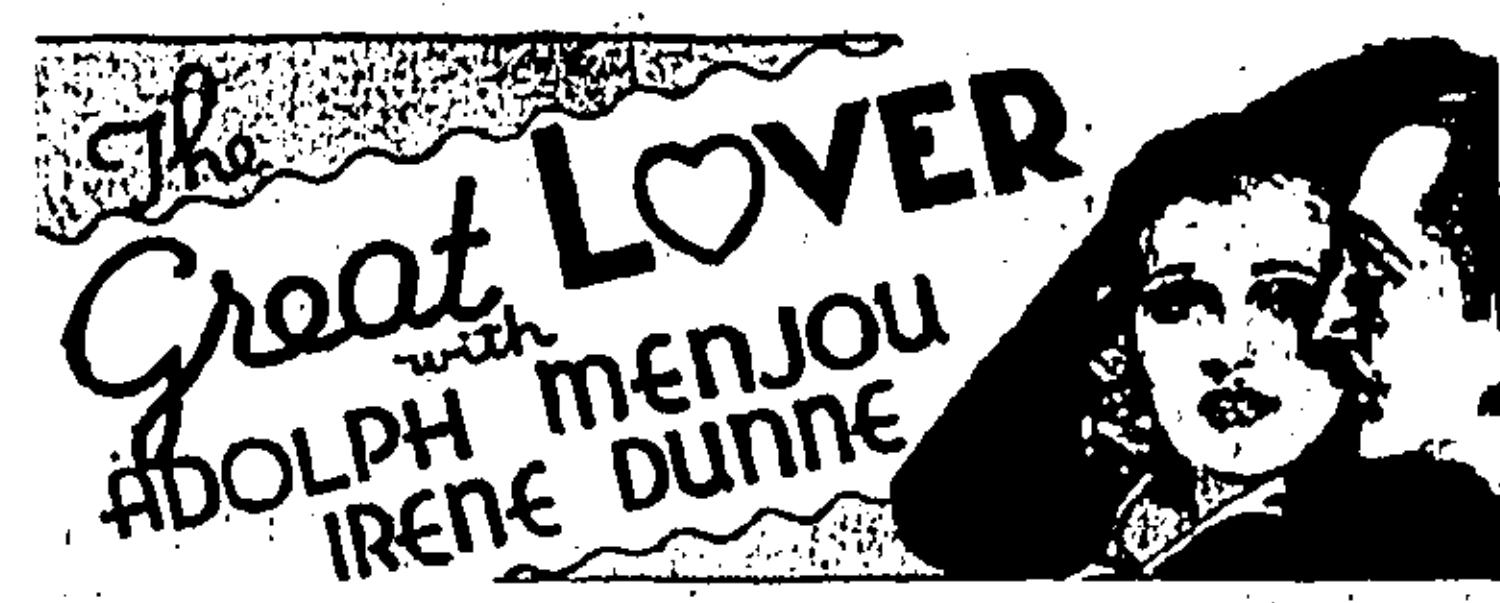
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OPIUM CASE SEQUEL.
**MAGISTRATE WARNS
DEFENDANT.**

The seizure of 141 taels of opium at the junction of Portland Road and Waterloo Road, Yau Ma Tei, had a sequel at the Kowloon Magistracy before Mr. Fraser yesterday afternoon. Chan Kai was charged for having in his possession the illicit opium whilst Lam Cheung was charged for having sold it without a license. Mr. Peter Sin represented the first defendant and Mr. R. C. H. Lim (Instructed by Mr. J. M. Hall) represented the second defendant. On account of there being no evidence against the second defendant he was accordingly discharged.

In entering a plea of not guilty on behalf of his client Mr. Sin said:—"At the outset of these proceedings your Worship remarked that this was an unusual and extraordinary case and to that remark I am in entire agreement. The case is unusual in that there appears from the evidence before the Court that there was a plant and possibly a trap in consequence of which my client has become the victim, he having been swindled of the sum of \$1,080 in addition to which he is now under a serious charge."

In imposing a fine of \$2,500, his Worship said to the defendant:—"Mr. Sin has put forward a very strong case on your behalf and the story you have told is probably a true one. I am therefore not going to take a very serious view of the matter but must convict you in view of the proviso in the Ordinance. The fine I have imposed is about one quarter of the fine that should have been imposed. Let this be a lesson to you so that you try not to get mixed up with undesirable people in the future."

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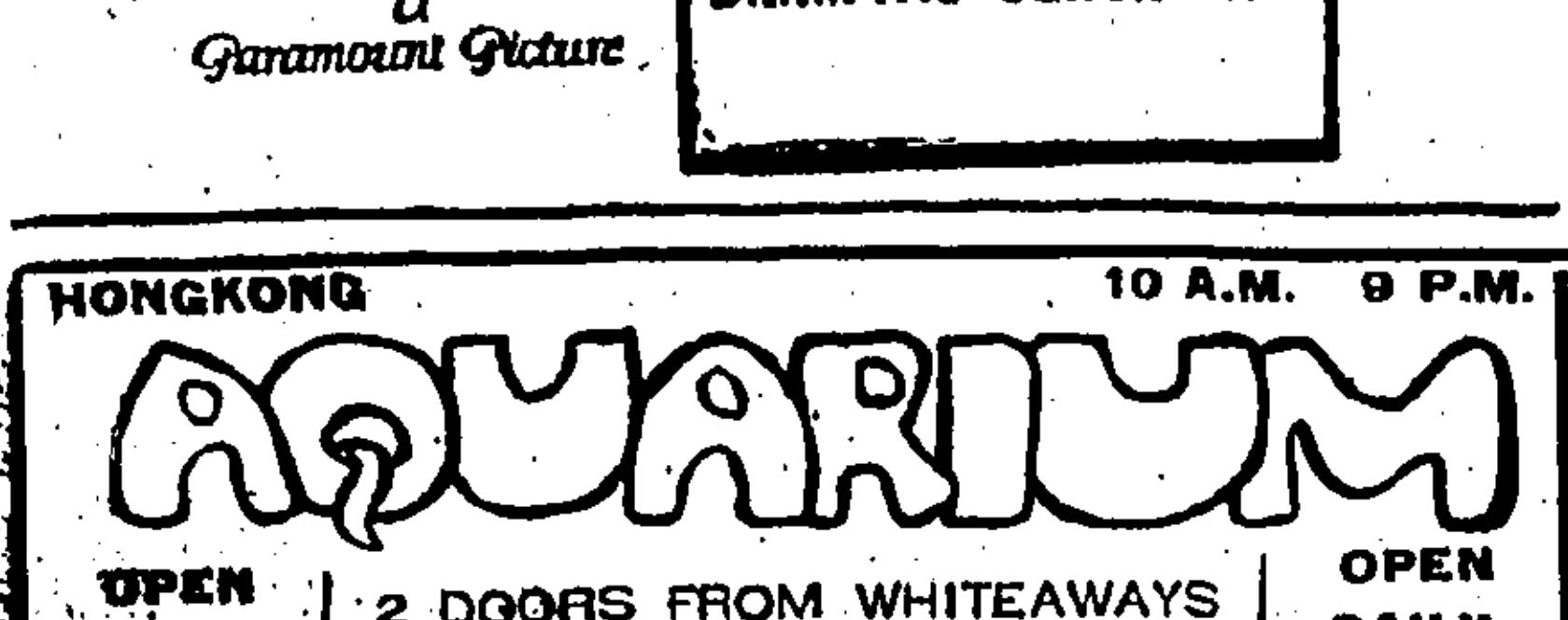
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